The New-York Times.

VOL. XVIII.....NO. 5372. NEW-YORK, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1868. PRICE FOUR CENTS.

WASHINGTON.

The Reading of the President's Message in the Senate Concluded.

It is Laid on the Table and Ordered Printed.

Indignant Protest Against Its Repudiation Proposition.

Speech of Mr. Blaine on National Affairs.

The New-York Election Frauds to be Investigated by Congress—The Indian Bureau Bill—Revision of Committees.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 10.

Messrs. JOHN JAY, LEGRAND B. CANNON and HORACE GREELEY are here as a sub-committee of the Committee of the Union League Club of New-York on the Election Frauds, with a memorial setting forth the facts, and petitioning Congress to take cognizance of the matter by appointing a committee to make an investigation. The memorial will receive immediate attention. Judge POLAND, of the Committee on the Revisal of the Laws, will, on Monday next, offer a resolution empowering that Committee to make the investigation, with power to send for persons and papers, and to hold sessions in the City of New-York, either by a full or sub-committee of its members, and to defray its expenses from the contingent fund of the House. Messrs. JAY and CANNON are the guests of Hon. JOHN A. GRISWOLD.

THE INDIAN BUREAU.

The bill for the restoration of the Indian Bureau to the War Department came up in the Senate to-day on a question of reference. Senator THAYER moved its reference to the Committee on Indian Affairs, while Mr. WILSON wanted it sent to the Military Committee. A long and desultory debate followed, which indicated that the vote on the final passage of the bill will be very close. Several Senators expressed their belief that it referred to the Indian Committee it would never be reported, as they had smothered a similar bill at last session. Finally, Messrs. TRUMBULL and FESSENDEN said they were unwilling to assume in advance that the Indian Committee would not treat the subject impartially, and as it was the appropriate Committee they should vote to refer it to that Committee. This motion finally prevailed without a division. The lobby will now go to work.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The Senate to-day finally consented to hear the remainder of the Message read, then Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN expressed the almost unanimous opinion of the Senate in high-toned, good-tempered, but just and severe denunciation of the document. No reference whatever was made of it, and it lies on the table.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The revision of the Senate Standing Committees to-day redistributes the members so as to include the new Senators who have heretofore been without places. WARNER, of Alabama, goes on the Finance in place of VAN WINKLE; HARRIS, of Louisiana, on Printing, in place of ROSS; RICE, of Arkansas, on Judiciary, in place of JOHNSON; and MCDONALD, of Arkansas, and WELCH, of Florida, on Post Offices and Post Roads, in place of HARLAN and MORRILL, of Maine. Many other less important changes were made. In the House Hon. G. W. SCHOFIELD, of Pennsylvania, was transferred from the Committee on Elections to that of Appropriations; Mr. NORRIS, of Alabama, was put on to fill the vacancy on the Reconstruction Committee; Messrs. PETTIS, of Pennsylvania, and STOVER, of Missouri, to fill the vacancies in Elections; Mr. KELLOGG, of Alabama, on Commerce; Mr. BOWEN, of South Carolina, on Freedmen's Affairs; Messrs. DEWEESE, of North Carolina, and SYPHER, of Louisiana, on Militia, &c.

THE ARMY REUNION.

Secretary SCHOFIELD, Gen. GEO. H. THOMAS, Gen. A. H. TERRY and Col. CAMPBELL, with several Senators and Representatives, will leave here Saturday night for Chicago, to attend the reunion of the armies, which takes place there on the 15th and 16th inst. Gen. GRANT, Gen. DENT, and perhaps other members of the Staff will leave about the same time for the same purpose.

THE SENATE RAILROAD COMMITTEE.

The Senate Select Committee on Railroads, Senator SHERMAN, Chairman, to whom was referred various bills at the last session, chartering railroads from Washington to New-York, to Cleveland and to Cincinnati, held a meeting this morning, and made considerable progress toward a report. It is believed the Committee will report favorably upon the power of Congress to charter such national roads.

BILLS DISPOSED OF IN THE HOUSE.

The morning hour in the House was occupied to-day with reports and bills from the Military Committee. The bills for the sale of the arsenal at Harper's Ferry and the rolling mill at Chattanooga were passed. The bill to establish a system of military education in the colleges of the country was laid on the table. The bill to pay Iowa $229,000 for expenditures on account of troops as recommended by the Government Commissioner, was pending when the morning hour expired. The House then proceeded to business on the Speaker's table, and various bills were referred. A long discussion sprang up on the General Railroad Bridge bill, in which the Ohio members took particular interest, and it was finally referred to the Committee on Roads and Canals. An attempt was made to pass without reference to the Senate, bill to pay JOHN H. SEGAR, of Fortress Monroe, for the use of his plantation and damage thereto by our troops during the war, but it finally went to the Committee on Claims.

CHIEF JUSTICE MOSES.

The bill relative to Chief Justice MOSES, of the South Carolina Supreme Court, has passed both Houses, and now only awaits the President's signature.

THE HOLIDAY RECESS.

The House to-day agreed to the recess proposition from Dec. 21 to Jan. 5. Mr. SCHENCK tried to reduce it by three days, and said the Tariff and Tax bills were both ready for consideration, but the House refused to concur. The Senate will probably agree to the proposition.

THE LEGAL-TENDER CASES.

The argument in the legal-tender cases was closed in the Supreme Court to-day by Attorney-General EVARTS, in behalf of the Government. His argument is spoken of in terms of high praise for its ability. It seems to be the impression here among good judges that the Court will affirm the power of Congress to declare what may be a legal-tender, but that this power cannot impair the obligation of a contract.

SENATOR EDMUND'S RESOLUTION.

Senator EDMUNDS gave notice to-day that on Tuesday next he would call up his resolution declaring the principal and interest of every obligation of the United States payable in coin.

THE SONS OF NEW-ENGLAND.

The Sons of New-England, resident here, held a meeting to-night, preparatory to making arrangements for an annual dinner, after the manner of the New-England Society of New-York, about the 21st inst. It will be a popular affair.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 10.

THE SOUTH AMERICAN EARTHQUAKES.

Rear-Admiral TURNER, commanding the United States naval forces in the Pacific has forwarded to the Navy Department a letter from Gen. HOVEY, United States Minister to Peru, inclosing a copy of a letter from the Peruvian Government, thanking the Republics of Chili and Bolivia and the representatives of the United States and France for their generous conduct toward the people in the south of Peru who suffered from the consequences of earthquake in August last.

Rear-Admiral TURNER also sent to the Department a complimentary letter from the Commander-in-Chief of the Peruvian navy, regarding the services rendered by the Passed Assistant Surgeon of the United States steamer *Wateree*, at Arica, at the time of the earthquake in August last.

THE PUBLIC DEBT.

The following is a statement of the public debt of the United States on the 1st of December, 1868:

Debt Bearing Coin Interest.

Five per cent. bonds.....$	$321,588,400 00
Six per cent. bonds of 1881.....	283,877,300 00
Six per cent. five-twenty bonds.....	1,502,570,400 00
Total.....	$2,107,836,100 00

Debt Bearing Currency Interest.

Certificates at three per cent.....	58,140,000 00
Navy pension fund at 3 per cent.....	14,000,000 00
Total.....	$72,140,000 00

Matured Debt Not Presented for Payment.

Three-year seven-thirty notes, due Aug. 15, 1867, and June and July 15, 1868.....	$2,478,450 00
Compound Interest notes matured June 10, July 15, Aug. 15, Oct. 15, Dec. 15, 1867, May 15, Aug. 1, Sept. 1 and 15, and Oct. 1 and 15, 1868....	4,324,920 00
Bonds, Texas Indemnity.....	250,000 00
Treasury notes, (acts of July 17, 1861, and prior thereto).....	149,361 64
Bonds of April 15, 1854, Jan. 28, 1847, and March 31, 1848.....	435,500 00
Treasury notes, March 3, 1863.....	445,492 00
Temporary loan.....	248,160 00
Certificates of indebtedness.....	13,000 00
Total.....	$8,245,883 64

Debt Bearing No Interest.

United States notes.....	$356,021,073 00
Fractional currency.....	33,875,268 17
Gold certificates of deposit.....	23,255,840 00
Total.....	$413,152,181 17
Grand total.....	2,601,374,164 81
Six per cent. lawful money bonds issued to Pacific Railroad Companies	44 337,000 00
Total debt.....	$2,645,711,164 81

Amount in Treasury.

Coin.....	$88,425,374 54
Currency.....	18,253,946 13
Total.....	$106,679,320 67
Amount of debt, less cash in the Treasury.....	$2,539,031,844 14

The foregoing is a correct statement of the public debt as appears from the books and the Treasurer's returns in the Department on the 1st of December, 1868.

HUGH MCCULLOCH,
Secretary of the Treasury.

The warrants issued by the Treasury Department during the month of November, to meet the requirements of the Government, amounted in round numbers to the following:

Civil, miscellaneous and foreign.....	$2,852,000
Interest on the public debt.....	24,205,000
War.....	6,570,000
Navy.....	1,293,000
Interior, (Pensions and Indians).....	707,000

The warrants issued for the redemption of the public debt are not included in the above.

A comparative statement of the condition of the public debt on the Dec. 1, 1867, with Dec. 1, 1868, shows the following:

On Dec. 1, 1867, the amount of debt, less cash in the Treasury, was $2,501,205,751; on Nov. 1, 1867, it was $2,491,504,450—an increase of $9,701,301, in which is included the sum of $559,000 in bonds issued to the Pacific Railroad Companies. On the 1st of December, 1868, the debt, less cash in the Treasury, was $2,539,031,844; on the 1st of November, 1868, it was $2,527,129,552—an increase of $11,902,292, including $2,143,000 in railroad bonds.

Deducting the amounts of Pacific Railroad bonds in the above comparison, it will be seen that the increase in the public debt this month, as compared with the same month of last year, is nearly similar in amount, the difference being an increase of only $616,989. The increase in both cases was caused by the payment of the semi-annual interest on the five-twenty bonds.

THE TARIFF QUESTION.

The Committee of Ways and Means had a conference this morning on the tariff question. It is not probable there will be any early action on the subject.

THE ANTIETAM SOCIETY.

The Board of Trustees of the Antietam Society held their annual meeting last night at the Ebbitt House. JOHN JAY, of New-York, was reelected President, THOMAS A. BOULLE, of Maryland, Secretary and Treasurer, and Dr. BRIGGS, Superintendent.

The Executive Committee was appointed as follows: JOHN H. B. LATROBE, of Baltimore; HENRY EDWARDS, of Boston; G. L. CRANMER, of West Virginia. A Special Committee, consisting of Mr. LATROBE, Gen. NEGLEY and Col. GRIMSHAW, was appointed to take and report to the Board the evidence in the matter of the claim touching the lodge.

After the transaction of regular business, a prolonged and animated debate was had upon the subject of the allotment of ground for the burial of the Confederate dead, in accordance with the requirements of the charter, and the subject was postponed to the next meeting, to allow of conference and arrangements by the trustees from Maryland with the authorities of that State, with a view to the settlement of the question in a manner mutually satisfactory to all parties. The Board at a late hour adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

PERSONAL.

Lieut.-Commander H. DE HAVEN MANLEY has been ordered to the hydrographic office in this city.

Hon. JOHN A. LOGAN having recovered from his late indisposition, was in his seat in the House to-day.

FORTIETH CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Thursday, Dec. 10.

On motion of Mr. ANTHONY, resolutions were adopted continuing the Special Committee to inquire what, if any, corrupt means were used, or attempted to be used, to influence Senators on the impeachment trial, and the Committee to revise and fix the pay of the officers of the Senate, and to reappoint the Select Committee, to whom was referred certain railroad bills; also, to create a new Standing Committee, on the revision of the laws of the United States.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. ANTHONY then moved to proceed to the appointment of the Standing Committees, which was agreed to, and thereupon he nominated the following members of committees, who were elected without dissent:

Foreign Relations—Messrs. Sumner, Chairman, Fessenden, Cameron, Harlan, Morton, Patterson of New-Hampshire, and Bayard.

Finances—Messrs. Sherman, Chairman, Morgan, Warner, Williams, Corbett, Henderson and Morrill, of Vermont.

Appropriations—Messrs. Morrill of Maine, Chairman, Grimes, Howe, Wilson, Cole, Conkling and Buckalew.

Commerce—Messrs. Chandler, Chairman, Morrill of Vermont, Yates, Spencer, Kellogg and Corbett.

Manufactures—Messrs. Sprague, Chairman, Yates, Abbott, Dixon and Robertson.

Agriculture—Messrs. Cameron, Chairman, Cattell, Tipton, Welch and McCreery.

Military Affairs and the Militia—Messrs. Wilson, Chairman, Sprague, Cameron, Morton, Abbott, Thayer and Doolittle.

Naval Affairs—Messrs. Grimes, Chairman, Anthony, Cragin, Frelinghuysen, Drake and Hendricks.

Public Lands—Messrs. Trumbull, Chairman, Stewart, Frelinghuysen, Edmunds, Conkling, Rice and Hendricks.

Post Offices and Post Roads—Messrs. Ramsey, Chairman, Conness, Pomeroy, Van Winkle, McDonald, Welch, and Dixon.

Public Lands—Messrs. Pomeroy, Chairman, Stewart, Osborn, Williams, Tipton, Hendricks, and Warner.

Private Land Claims—Messrs. Williams, Chairman, Sumner, Kellogg, Ferry, and Bayard.

Indian Affairs—Messrs. Henderson, Chairman, Morrill of Maine, Ross, Corbett, Thayer, Buckalew, and Doolittle.

Pensions—Messrs. Van Winkle, Chairman, Edmunds, Fowler, Tipton, Davis, Spencer, and Sawyer.

Revolutionary Claims—Messrs. Nye, Chairman, Chandler, Pool, Patterson of Tennessee, and Saulsbury.

Claims—Messrs. Howe, Chairman, Willey, Frelinghuysen, Howard, Robinson, Cole, and Davis.

District of Columbia—Messrs. Harlan, Chairman, Sumner, Rice, Patterson of New-Hampshire, Harris, Patterson of Tennessee, and Vickers.

Patents and the Patent Office—Messrs. Willey, Chairman, Osborn, Thayer, Ferry, and Norton.

Public Buildings and Grounds—Messrs. Fessenden, Chairman, Trumbull, Ferry, Davis, and Wade.

Territories—Messrs. Yates, Chairman, Nye, Cragin, Fowler, McDonald, Ferry, McCreery, Davis and Norton.

Pacific Railroad—Messrs. Howard, Chairman, Sherman, Morgan, Conness, Ramsey, Stewart, Wilson, Harlan and Drake.

To Audit and Control the Contingent Expenses of the Senate—Messrs. Cragin, Chairman, Morrill of Vermont, and Buckalew.

Engrossed Bills—Messrs. Fowler, Chairman, Sumner and Norton.

Mines and Mining—Messrs. Conness, Chairman, Chandler, Anthony, Yates, Ross, Saulsbury, Wade.

Revision of the Laws of the United States—Messrs. Conkling, Chairman, Sumner, Yates, Bayard, Pool.

Special Committee on Railroads—Messrs. Sherman, Chairman, Sumner, Buckalew, Chandler, Stewart, Ramsey, Vickers.

Committee to inquire whether any improper means had been used, or attempted to be used, for influencing the vote of Senators upon the Impeachment—Messrs. Buckalew, Morrill of Maine, Chandler, Stewart and Thayer.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

Joint Committee on Printing on the part of the Senate—Messrs. Anthony, Wade and Harris.

Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate—Messrs. Ross, Patterson of New-Hampshire and Dixon.

Joint Committee on the Library on the part of the Senate—Messrs. Morgan, Howe and Fessenden.

Joint Committee on Retrenchment on the part of the Senate—Messrs. Edmunds, Williams, Patterson of New-Hampshire, and Buckalew.

Joint Committee to Revise and Fix the Pay of the Officers of the Two Houses on the part of the Senate—Messrs. Fessenden, Sherman and Buckalew.

To Examine Claims and Accounts for Repairs and Furnishing the Executive Mansion on the part of the Senate—Messrs. Harlan, Chairman, and Norton.

On Ordnance on the part of the Senate—Messrs. Howard, Chairman, Cameron and Drake.

On Revising the Rules of the Senate—Messrs. Anthony, Chairman, Pomeroy and Edmunds.

Mr. RICE moved to add two members to the Committee on the Pacific Railroad, as representatives of the South; but at the suggestion of Mr. EDMUNDS he wiindrew the motion temporarily.

OLD BUSINESS DISPOSED OF.

The President then directed the Secretary to read the calendar of bills and resolutions on the table, most of which were referred to the appropriate Committees.

On motion of Mr. SUMNER his bill to resume specie payment on the 4th of July next was laid over until next week, when he said he would move to refer it to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. SUMNER also explained the purpose of the bill introduced by him to carry out the Reconstruction acts in Georgia, viz.: to resume to a certain extent the power of Congress over that State in consequence of the Legislature having been illegally constituted, and on his motion it was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. DRAKE explained the purpose of his resolution in relation to the grades of General and Lieutenant-General in the Army, and Admiral and Vice-Admiral in the Navy, to be to keep those grades in reserve as rewards for extraordinary public services, and not to leave them to be reached by regular promotion and accommodation. It was referred, first, to the Committee on Military Affairs, to go afterward, if favorably reported on by them, to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

The House bill to regulate the duties on copper, &c., was referred to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

THE INDIAN BUREAU.

When the House bill to restore the Bureau of Indian Affairs to the War Department was reached, Mr. THAYER moved to refer it to the Committee on Indian Affairs, and Mr. WILSON moved to refer it to the Committee on Military Affairs, and remarked that the proposed transfer was favored by several distinguished Generals.

Mr. FERRY opposed sending it to the Committee on Indian Affairs, because to send it there would, he thought, be fatal to the bill, of which he was in favor.

Mr. TIPTON favored the motion to send it to the Committee on Indian Affairs, because he thought if any change was to be made in the Indian policy of the Government, that Committee, which had so long had charge of the whole subject, was the one most fit to deal with it.

Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, thought that it should go, as a matter of course, to the Committee on Indian Affairs, because the subject properly belonged there. The suggestion of the Senator from Massachusetts, (Mr. WILSON,) that the transfer was favored by some of the Generals, did not strike him as a very good reason for making such transfer. The recommendation of a General, on the fact that by some means the bill had been reported by the Military Committee of the House, was not to control the action of the Senate; and he would say further, that it was a question upon which even the Generals were divided in opinion.

Mr. THAYER said that the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. FERRY) had given a stronger reason for not sending the bill to the appropriate Committees, namely, that it might be reported upon unfavorably. If that were to be recognized as a reason for not making the usual reference of a bill, it would be as well to abolish all committees at once. If there was a disposition to rush this bill through, he protested against it. He was not prepared to say now how he would vote upon the bill, nor had he any personal reason for wishing to send it to one committee rather than the other, having the honor to be a member of each; but he did not want to see the usage of the Senate departed from in this respect. As to the recommendation of the General spoken of, he would say that he had documents in his desk showing that the Lieutenant-General had opposed the transfer.

Mr. SHERMAN said he wished to have it referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, for the reason that a similar bill had been referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs two years ago, and had never been reported at all. The subject was an important one, upon which the Senate had a right to expect an early report, and if he could have assurance that the Committee on Military Affairs would give it proper and early attention, he would vote for the reference of the bill to that Committee; otherwise he would not.

Mr. TRUMBULL said that to refuse to send to the Committee on Indian Affairs this bill, which properly belonged there, would be to make a reflection upon that Committee, which he was not prepared to make. As to the other similar bill, of which the Senator from Ohio (Mr. SHERMAN) had spoken, there might be good reasons why the Committee had not yet reported upon it.

Mr. WILSON said that, during the Indian war in Oregon, this matter had been fully investigated by the Indian Commission, which then came to the conclusion that the Indian Bureau ought to be transferred to the War Department, and that millions of dollars had been lost to the country by the transfer from the War Department to the Department of the Interior.

Mr. CONKLING was perplexed to know how to vote. He thought that this was not the proper time to go into the merits of the subject yet. The Senate should remember that it was a very important one, demanding immediate attention, and although he agreed that the Committee on Indian Affairs was the proper one to which the bill should be referred, yet the old maxim, that a child should not be put to nurse to an unfriendly mother, was good, and he thought it must be apparent to all men that the tribunal which a bill proposes to oust of jurisdiction is not the one to pass upon it.

Mr. CONNESS proposed to get rid of the difficulty by a motion to commit the Committee on Indian Affairs and the Committee on Military Affairs a joint committee to consider the subject and report.

Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, replying to Mr. CONKLING's suggestion that the Committee on Indian Affairs would not be a disinterested tribunal, said that the Committee on Military Affairs, whose jurisdiction the bill proposed to augment, was not in position to be more impartial.

Mr. CONKLING denied that he had said that either committee was disqualified to deal with the matter fairly, because of their interest in the result. He had only stated the generally accepted view that a tribunal which it is proposed to oust of its jurisdiction, is not likely to be the best or wisest tribunal to deal with that measure. While he did not think either of the committees named disqualified, yet if an arrangement could be made like that proposed by Mr. CONNESS, by which it should not go exclusively to either, he would prefer it.

Mr. DAVIS said that he had formerly opposed the tranfer to the War Department, but he was now strongly induced to vote for it.

Mr. CORBETT thought that the transfer would not result in greater economy, and said that his experience in Oregon had satisfied him that where there were the most troops there were the most difficulties with the Indians.

Mr. HENDRICKS said he regarded the military service of the United States as the most expensive Government service in the world, and predicted increased expenditures instead of economy, if the transfer to the War Department was made.

Mr. FESSENDEN thought it must be clear to every one that the subject of the bill belonged properly to the Committee on Indian Affairs, and that to refuse to make the reference would be a reflection on the Committee. He was in favor of sending the bill to the proper Committee, from which he had no doubt the Senate would in due time have a full and satisfactory report. His own opinion was in favor of the transfer, but if he could be satisfied either by a report or in debate that that opinion was wrong, he would be prepared to change it.

Mr. DOOLITTLE said that some years ago a joint committee having charge of the whole subject had, upon a full examination of it, aided by the testimony of army officers and civilians, reported unanimously against the proposition to transfer the Indian Bureau to the War Department; and, although the transfer had been sometimes recommended by military men, yet the judgment of the Senate hitherto had always been against it. He saw no reason for supposing that the Committee on Indian Affairs desired to avoid the responsibility of reporting upon the proposition one way or the other. For himself, he was opposed to the transfer, believing that it would result in increased extravagance; because, while the Indian Bureau remained in the Department of the Interior, detailed estimates must be made of each item of expense connected with it. But if it were transferred to the War Department they would all come in under the head of "Subsistance of the Army," &c. He did not deny that abuses existed in the Indian Bureau, for they would spring up wherever there was money to be expended; but he did not believe that they would be reformed by the proposed transfer.

Mr. STEWART remarked that the Indian affairs could not possibly be any worse managed than at present, and cites the example of Great Britain in her neighboring colonies, where, he said, she deals with the Indians by her army.

Mr. DOOLITTLE denied that she did so, and said that she dealt with them altogether by civil agents and missionaries.

Mr. WARNER said there was a general impression among the people that our treatment of the Indian was a national crime, second in magnitude only to our treatment of the negro, and expressed the opinion that we should give them less fighting and more justice. He had seen it stated in the newspapers that the recent battle was with a friendly tribe within a Government reservation.

The Senate then voted upon the motion to refer the bill to the Committee on Indian Affairs, and it was so referred.

MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS.

Mr. WILSON introduced a bill to repeal section 6 of the act making appropriations for the support of the army for the year ending June 30, 1868, approved March 2, 1867. Referred to the Committee of Military Affairs.

MINNESOTA RAILROAD.

Mr. RAMSEY introduced a bill granting lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from St. Paul, Minn., to the Missouri River. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Mr. WILSON introduced a joint resolution, submitting for ratification the following amendment to the Constitution:

ARTICLE 15. No distinction shall be made by the United States, nor by any State, among citizens in their civil or political rights on account of race, color or previous condition.

It was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to regulate the elective franchise in the United States, which was referred to the same Committee.

GOVERNMENT WAGES.

Mr. CONNESS introduced a bill fixing the compensation for labor performed for the Government of the United States, which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

It provides that from and after June 25, 1868, all laborers, workmen and mechanics engaged in the employment of the United States shall receive for a day's labor, as provided by law, the full wages and compensation paid for such labor, as if ten hours constituted a day's labor.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MATTERS.

Mr. COLE introduced a bill to provide for the paving of Pennsylvania-avenue, which was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

Mr. HARRIS introduced a bill to provide for the paving of Pennsylvania-avenue with the Nicolson pavement, which was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

Mr. SHERMAN introduced a bill to incorporate the National Junction Railroad Company, which was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

The road is to commence at the Aqueduct Bridge in Georgetown, and run around the City of Washington to a point near the Navy-yard, and is prohibited from granting exclusive privileges to any one corporation.

THE SENATOR FROM GEORGIA.

On motion of Mr. SHERMAN, the credentials of Mr. HILL, Senator elect from Georgia, with the memorial, &c., relating to them, were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SOUTHERN MILITIA.

Mr. RICE called up the bill to provide for the issue of arms to the militia of certain States lately in rebellion, which, on motion of Mr. WILSON, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Mr. EDMUNDS called for the unfinished business. Some of his friends, he said, and some who were not his friends, had supposed that he moved to adjourn on Wednesday in order to prevent the reading of the President's Message. His motion had no such design; on the contrary he was in favor of having it read for the benefit of his party, and that the people might see what kind of a man they had at the head of the Government. He therefore moved that the Secretary be directed to proceed with the reading of the Message.

The motion was carried.

Mr. CAMERON renewed the motion to dispense with the further reading of the Message, but, at the suggestion of other Senators, immediately withdrew it.

The Secretary then read the Message from the point at which he had been interrupted yesterday. When he had finished

Mr. EDMUNDS moved to lay the Message on the table, and order it to be printed, which was done.

The President presented a communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting accounts up to June last of disbursements for incidental and miscellaneous purposes during 1868.

Mr. EDMUNDS said that in view of the extraordinary proposition relating to the national debt contained in the President's Message, he would move on next Tuesday that the Finance Committee, unless they should in the meantime report the resolution on that subject offered by him on the 21st of November last, be discharged from further consideration of it, and would move its passage.

The resolution affirms that the faith of the United States is solemnly pledged to the payment of the national debt.

Mr. EDMUNDS continuing, said that the proposition of the Presidents was that the people should repudiate the national debt, by insisting that the payment of the interest upon it for a certain number of years should be taken as payment of the principal, and thereby dishonor themselves forever in the eyes of all honest men.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN—I do not think it is proper, Sir, that this message should pass without having a word said in reference to it; but what I have to say will occupy only a little of the time of the Senate. I am glad that the message has been read. That much our respect for the highest official position in the nation, our respect for perhaps the highest position in the world, requires; and as to the reflections contained in it upon the Legislative Department of the Government; a Legislative Department which, in harmony and coöperation with the patriotism of the people, with the exertions of our lamented President, and with the exertions of our ever-triumphant General, has succeeded in rescuing and preserving the nation—the Legislative Department which, for two years, has carried on a contest with obstruction and obstructionists—such a Legislative Department cannot be disparaged by the violent denunciations of the vanquished. I am glad that the Message has been read, in order that we may declare before the world that our attention has been called to the most extraordinary proposition put forth by the Executive of this nation—a proposition which, if we were not accustomed to wonders from that source, would fill every person here with astonishment, to-wit, as has been stated, that we shall pay the interest on our national debt for sixteen or seventeen years, and that then the debt shall be repudiated, and this young Christian Republic be made a hissing and a by-word among the nations of the earth, and a credit, which is worth to this young nation, just entering on its grand career, more than that debt multiplied a hundred fold, shipwrecked forever. I am glad, Mr. President, that it has been read, in order that we may here declare before the world, that we, the accredited Representatives of the American people, repudiate and reject the repudiating doctrine of that Message, in order that we may inform the world know that the plain people of this country, (however the Chief Executive may underrate them,) who had the heroism to preserve the liberties of the country, have now the will and the ability to preserve its honor, in our illimitable domain, in our waving fields, in our exhaustless mines, in our industrial enterprises; yes, and if need be, in the tension and toil of every muscle and the sweat-drops from every brow, the world has the pledge, that the honor and the faith of America are inviolate. I am glad, too, that we have the opportunity of calling the attention of the public to the fact, that if we proceed to pay the principal of our debt at the same rate that we have been paying it for the last five years, at the end of twenty years there will be no debt to tempt us to self-dishonor and self-destruction. No, Sir; civil liberty and equality will not die to the world by the stab that repudiation would give them, so long as the people were fully and honestly responsible here. It is but a little longer, Sir, that we have to wait—but a little longer. Let us be patient.

At the conclusion of Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN's remarks, there was suppressed applause in the galleries.

Mr. EDMUNDS at once moved to adjourn, which was carried—the adjournment being in accordance with a previously adopted resolution, until Monday, at 12 o'clock M.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Speaker announced the following appointments on committees to fill vacancies occasioned by the resignation of members who were serving on other committees and by other changes:

On Revision of Laws—Messrs. McKee of Kentucky, Dickey of Pennsylvania, Boyden of North Carolina, and Butler of Tennessee.

On Elections—Messrs. Pettus of Pennsylvania, and Stover of Missouri.

On Commerce—Mr. Kellogg of Alabama.

On Appropriations—Mr. Scofield of Pennsylvania.

On Pacific Railroad—Mr. Trimble of Kentucky.

On Reconstruction—Mr. Norris of Alabama.

On the Military—Mr. Deweese of North Carolina, and Mr. Sypher of Louisiana.

On Freedmen's Affairs—Mr. Bowen of South Carolina.

On Education and Labor—Mr. Whittemore of South Carolina.

On Revolutionary Pensions, &c.—Messrs. Jones of South Carolina, Clift of Georgia, and Blackburn of Louisiana.

On Revolutionary Claims—Messrs. Dockery of North Carolina, Goss of South Carolina, and Edwards of Georgia.

On Mileage—Mr. Young of Georgia.

On Printing—Mr. Vidal of Alabama.

On Expenditures in the State Department—Messrs. Vidal of Louisiana, Corley of South Carolina, and Boles of Arkansas.

On Expenditures in the Treasury Department—Messrs. Lash of North Carolina, and Tift of Georgia.

On Expenditures in the War Department—Mr. French of North Carolina.

On Expenditures in the Navy Department—Messrs. Buckalew of Alabama, and Gove of Georgia.

On Expenditures in the Post Office Department—Mr. Newsham of Louisiana.

On Expenditures in the Interior Department—Messrs. Pierce of Alabama, and Prince of Georgia.

On Expenditures on Public Buildings—Mr. Haughey of Alabama.

A MICHIGAN RAILROAD.

Mr. BEAMAN introduced a bill to enable the Holby, Wayne and Missouri Railroad Company, in Michigan, to have subscriptions to the capital stock stamped, &c. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

MILITARY AFFAIRS.

The House proceeded to its business of the morning hour, being the call of the Committee on Military Affairs for reports. Several reports were made by Messrs. GARFIELD, BOYER, WASHBURN, of Indiana, and STOREVANS.

Mr. GARFIELD reported back the Senate bill providing for the sale of the Government property at Harper's Ferry, in West Virginia, which was passed.

Also the House joint resolution for the sale of the Bergen Heights Arsenal, in Hudson County, N. J., which was passed.

Also to declare and fix the *status* of the corps of Judge-Advocates of the army, fixing the number at twelve, including the Judge-Advocate-General and Assistant Judge-Advocate-General, and authorizing the President to fill vacancies with the consent of the Senate, which was passed.

Also the House bill authorizing the sale of the Chattanooga Rolling-mills property, at Chattanooga, Tenn., to the Southwestern Iron Company, which was passed.

Also the joint resolution donating condemned cannon for the erection of a monument to Major-Gen. KEARNY and the Union soldiers, at Tivoli, N. Y., which was passed.

A bill to consolidate the several asylums for aged and disabled soldiers. Passed.

Also a bill granting a portion of the military reservation at Sault St. Marie, Minn., to the American Baptist Home Mission Society. Passed. Also a bill providing that all army officers detailed to give military instruction in colleges and universities shall be entitled to the full pay of their respective grades, the same as if they were in active service. Passed.

Mr. WASHBURN, of Indiana, from the same Committee, reported a bill to equalize bounties, which was made the special order for the first Tuesday in January, for one hour.

Mr. GARFIELD, from the same Committee, reported a bill to establish a national system of military education, authorizing the detail of military instructors for one college or university in each State, and for one additional college or university for every million of inhabitants in such State as may be designated by the Legislature, with provision for commissioning cadets, &c.

Mr. GARFIELD remarked that as it was a very important bill, he would not ask to have it passed under the previous question, but would ask to have it printed and made a special order.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, declared that he was not only opposed to the scheme, but was particularly opposed to making it a special order.

Mr. WASHBURN remarked that this was one of the most important questions ever proposed to Congress, and there should be ample time to discuss it.

Mr. PRUYN inquired whether the bill conflicted with or was an accessory to the Agricultural College bill.

Mr. GARFIELD replied that it neither conflicted with nor was accessory to it. He regretted to hear the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. WASHBURNE) pronounce against the bill without having had an opportunity to know its provisions.

Mr. CHANLER commented upon the absence of any provisions in the bill for the education of naval officers.

Mr. PIKE remarked that the present means of educating naval officers were quite sufficient.

Mr. GARFIELD replied that he reported the bill from the Military Committee, which had no jurisdiction of naval matters.

Mr. CHANLER referred to the fact that Mr. GARFIELD was Chairman of the Committee on Education, and that under his lead a Department of Education had been organized, and he held that he was therefore responsible for not making provision for the education of naval officers.

Mr. GARFIELD could not consent to go into a discussion of the measure now, but would only say that the measure was brought forward by an officer appointed by Gen. GRANT, who had considered the whole subject.

Mr. ROSS moved to lay the bill on the table, which was agreed to—73 to 50.

Mr. GARFIELD remarked that he congratulated the organ or the incoming Administration on the support received from the other side of the House.

WAR EXPENDITURES.

Mr. DODGE, from the same committee, reported a bill appropriating $229,848 to refund to Iowa the expenses incurred in connection with the raising of troops.

Pending the reading of the report the morning hour expired, and the bill went over to the next morning hour for public business.

BILLS ON THE SPEAKER'S TABLE.

The House then, on motion of Mr. SCHENCK, proceeded to the business on the Speaker's table, and disposed thereof as follows:

The Senate joint resolution relating to the ocean mail steamship service between the United States and China, authorized by act of Congress, approved Feb. 17, 1865. Referred to the Post Office Committee.

The Senate bill in relation to bridges across the Ohio River. After a discussion lasting more than an hour and participated in principally by the Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania members, the bill was, on motion of Mr. BINGHAM, referred to the Committee on Roads and Canals.

ALTA VELA AGAIN.

Mr. PHELPS asked leave to offer a resolution in reference to the ejection of American citizens from the guano Island of Alta Vela. Objected to.

Mr. PHELPS also presented a petition from citizens of Baltimore on that subject, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

A LIGHT-HOUSE WANTED.

Mr. O'NEILL presented a memorial from the Philadelphia Board of Marine Underwriters for the erection of a light-house on the north end of Lunnings' Beach, on the Atlantic coast off New-Jersey, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

A RECESS PROPOSED.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, offered his resolution for a recess from Monday, Dec. 21, to Tuesday, the 5th of January.

Mr. SCHENCK remarked that he felt it useless to attempt to prevent the taking of a recess, but as he was instructed by the Committee of Ways and Means this morning he would move an amendment by making the recess from Wednesday, the 23d of December, to Monday, the 4th of January.

Mr. WASHBURNE said that so far as he was personally concerned he was entirely indifferent. He expected to be in the city most of the time during the recess. If the gentleman thought that they could get home at Christmas by adjourning on Wednesday and could get back by the Monday after New-Years, they would vote for the amendment.

He moved the previous question.

The vote was taken by yeas and nays on the amendment, and it was rejected—yeas 75, nays 91.

Mr. BALDWIN moved to lay the resolution on the table. Rejected without division.

The resolution as originally introduced was then adopted.

THE VALUE OF LEGAL TENDERS.

Mr. BROOMALL, of Pennsylvania

THE STEAMBOAT DISASTER.

Later Dates of the Calamity—Statement of Lee Cahn, Esq., of Cincinnati.

From the Cincinnati Commercial, Dec. 8.

The interest and excitement relative to the recent terrible disaster to the Louisville United States mail steamers *United States* and *America*, in the Ohio River, near Florence, Ind., is still intense. Parties are arriving from all quarters, making inquiries for lost friends and relatives known to have taken passage on the *United States* for Louisville.

STATEMENT OF LEE CAHN, ESQ.

MR. LEE CAHN, of the firm of DREYFOOS & CAHN, at No. 115 West Pearl-street, between Race and Elm, makes the following statement. Mr. CAHN is well known in this city, and by his request we state that he can be found at the above place, and is ready at any time to be examined. Mr. CAHN says: "I took passage on the *United States*, bound for Louisville, and we departed about 6¼ o'clock. A few minutes before the *United States* left the Cincinnati wharf, Mr. HARRY BRUNSWICK, of this city, came to me and spoke to me. We engaged in conversation, and I inquired of him his name—I had known him by sight for some time previous. He told me, and we kept together. When supper was announced, Mr. BRUNSWICK and myself sat together. After supper, at my suggestion, we strolled back into the cabin to hear the singing that was going on. We remained there some time. Mr. BRUNSWICK borrowed from me a paper, and sat reading, while I was near enjoying the music. About 9 o'clock I noticed Mr. BRUNSWICK asleep in the chair, with the paper in his hand. I awoke him, and he then said he was sleepy and was going to bed. He then took me good night, and went to his state-room, No. 36. I never saw him afterward. I was not feeling very well, having just come from a sick bed, and had no desire to retire. Shortly after I heard that there was going to be a serenade on the boat. I then went out on the lower guards and looked about me. It was not very dark, and I could see the shore distinctly. The serenading party was ready, and I went along the guards to the room of the bridal party, and remained there until after the serenade. A party from Madison, who were full of fun, thought that they would give the bridesroom a *charivari*. So, procuring a gong, bell and a tin-pan, they serenaded him, and had a gay time. After this, as we passed through the cabin, we met the Captain of the boat, who requested us not to make any more noise, as he was afraid it would disturb the passengers. Within a few moments after this most of the passengers retired to their state-rooms. I promenaded from the stern of the boat, all the way to the office, then returned my steps, and was on the way back again toward the office of the boat, and had reached the centre of the cabin, when I heard our boat whistle once, and she struck against something in an instant afterward. I ran to the front of the boat, near the office, and saw the whole of the forward part of the boat on fire. By that time it appeared to me as if every state-room door was thrown open. Men, women and children rushed out, some crying "Fire!" "Lord, save us!" and other exclamations. The scene was terrible, and is impossible to describe. Everything was in a state of confusion; some grasped chairs, others had life-preservers in their hands, and some were engaged in taking doors off their hinges. During the fire, when the passengers rushed into the cabin, I did not see a single officer of the boat here to advise the ladies and children to get life-preservers. It is my opinion that if the officers had been there, some might have been saved. Having nothing myself, I started for the third time to get a life-preserver. When I got near my state-room, I noticed it was on fire. I then ran further back, into the ladies' cabin, and came on to the guards. By that time the *America* was right near us, and some passengers jumped over on to her, and others missed it and fell into the river. Those forward of the wheel-house could get over. I saw there was no chance for me, and while the *America* was drifting down past us, I noticed a young lady—who had but a short time before been dancing and very gay—right between the wheel-houses of the two boats, screaming for assistance, and no one was able to help her. A lady standing alongside of me (MRS. PIERCE, of Louisville,) and her infant son were gazing toward the *America*, and as quiet as a statute. I looked in the same direction, and saw her son, a little boy of 9 years, climbing over a very narrow plank that was extending from the *United States* toward the *America*. I saw him get over to the other and grasp first for the railing on the *America*, but just as he was ready to get on the *America* safely, the plank tipped over and he fell into the water. His poor mother uttered a cry, 'For God's sake, save my child.' I was unable to do any thing, and was very weak. I never saw the lady again. By that time the boat was in flames all about me. I threw my coat on the *America* as she drifted past us; then I knew that to save myself I would have to swim. I slid down a post till I reached the lower deck. I then took off my boots and threw them in the river. I saw a floating mass of burning driftwood coming toward me. I waited a few seconds until it passed by and then saw that the river was filled with people. I could see their heads. I did not want to jump on them and waited until the left side of my face was licked by the flames. I turned to my right and saw an immense column of smoke approaching me. I could remain no longer, so jumped in the river and swam ashore. I saw no one come out of the boat after I left. About five seconds after I reached the shore I turned to see the steamers, and heard the fizzing of the *United States'* boilers, and some cried, "The boilers are bursting!" This created a general panic among those on the bank, and they scattered in all directions. I rushed up a steep hill and climbed over a fence. I was so weak that I fell, and then I got up again and ran a piece further, when I stopped and ran on. After I had gone more I gained my feet, and just then I saw, by the reflection of the fire, a house in the distance, about a mile up the river from where I was, on the Indiana shore. The excitement was the only thing that kept me up. I reached this farm-house barefooted and coatless, and found the occupants engaged in providing clothing, and assisting to alleviate the sufferings of the large number of people who had found their way there. The occupants of this farm-house (whose names, unfortunately, I have forgotten) did everything they could to comfort the passengers, and stayed up all night attending to the sick. When I arrived there, I was hardly able to crawl into bed, (I had been in the water some twenty minutes.) About 2 o'clock a small tug-boat, (which, I believe, was chartered by the gentleman of the farm-house,) which had been lying a short distance down the river, was brought to the bank near this house, and most of the passengers, with the exception of seven or eight, were taken on board and conveyed to Warsaw. I remained at the farm-house until the next day, (Saturday.) While there I was treated as well as any one could wish. The family did everything they could for me. The next morning the lady of the house dried my clothes for me, and borrowed a pair of boots from a colored man for me to wear. I then went to the wreck to get a pair of boots (as I had heard they could be procured there) and found that they had all been given away. I got into a farm wagon, with several others, and went to Florence, Ind., where I succeeded in telegraphing home to my wife and getting a pair of shoes and socks. The people of Florence were also very kind to the passengers, and would not accept of any money. We were informed that the *C. T. Dumont* would be down to take us home, so I waited until she came, when I went aboard and came home. I saw a great many persons burned after they had fallen in the water. While I was in the farm-house I overheard the conversation of several persons, who were speaking of the disaster. One young man said that he was at the wheel of the boat when the accident occurred. Some one asked him his age. He started to say eighteen, but hesitated and then answered 'twenty.' This same person also said that the pilot on the other boat that was steering was only 22 years of age."

Some Additional Particulars.

From the Louisville Courier-Journal, Dec. 7.

One gentleman and wife escaped in rather a romantic manner. Fastening life-preservers to both of their persons, he tied her right arm to his left, then took a shutter, over which they placed both arms. "Now! one—two—three—jump," he cried, when they both jumped, and after a little manœuvering they arrived safely on shore, minus, however, several articles of apparel needed to make them presentable.

A lady on board the *States* relates that as she and her husband were moving toward the shore, in the water, she saw one of the life-boats filled with people who had escaped. But all at once the *America* begins backing toward shore, and mercilessly the rude rudder strikes the boat, crushing and upsetting it. None of these passengers were saved.

From the shore could be seen women with nothing but their *robes de nuit* to protect them, rushing about in the flames screaming for help—mothers with their children in their arms, most of them babies, rushing about frantically. One mother, holding her baby in her arms, ran to the guards, but the water seemed to her only a chilly grave; then she jumped in the cabin again, then to the guards. The last that was seen of her she was standing up with her baby hugged closer to her in her awful death, burning up.

A gentleman with his sister, a lovely and accomplished young lady, were passengers on the *United States*. At the first shock the gentleman was thrown from his bed clear out on the floor. Hastily pulling on his pantaloons, he rushed to the state-room of his sister, burst open the door, and seizing her in his arms, carried her down to the main deck, where, procuring a door-shutter, he threw it overboard and leaped after it, with his sister in his arms. He placed her securely on the shutter, and was swimming behind pushing it with its precious load toward the shore, when, to his horror, a big, burly, and able-bodied man swam up, pushed his sister off the board, and climbed upon it himself. The young girl sank with a scream, and if she came to the surface it was so dark and the confusion so great that he could not find her. Maddened by the dastardly act, he made at the author, and seizing him by the throat a struggle to the death ensued. They rose and sunk together, still struggling, and when last seen were grappling with each other. Whether either were saved or both went down together is not known. The sister sunk beneath the waves and was lost.

CAPT. WOOLFOLK'S STATEMENT.

Capt. R. H. WOOLFOLK, who was a passenger on the *America*, and arrived home yesterday morning, gave us a very graphic and interesting account of the terrible mishap. He states that at the moment of the collision he was asleep, and did not awake till the boats came together the second time. Hastily putting on his pantaloons, he went into the cabin, and was surprised to see that all was perfectly quiet on the boat, and that but one man beside himself had left his berth. Going forward, he saw in a moment what had occurred. The *United States* had already burned back to the wheel-house, and the flames were rapidly sweeping abaft. Seeing the passengers of the *States* rushing pell-mell aboard the *America*, Capt. WOOLFOLK leaped into the river from the bow of the steamer, with nothing but his pants and underclothing on, and swam ashore. He says the collision happened about 11:30 o'clock, one mile and a half above Warsaw, and at the time the night was very dark, and there was a brisk rain or snow was falling. The *America*, ascending, blew two whistles, to which the *States* responded, but a heavy gale was blowing and the whistle was not heard by the pilot of the *America*. After the first two whistles the *America* again blew twice. Mr. REMELIN, pilot of the *States*, says he blew once, and when he heard the *America's* two whistles he stopped and commenced backing; but it was too late. It is presumed the pilots were deceived by the darkness as to the distance that separated the boats. The *America* struck the *States* on the larboard side, running nearly through the baggage-room and into the hull. They got apart by the recoil of the concussion, but immediately swung together again, the *America* on the Indiana shore and the *States* on the outside of her. When they lashed the second time the affrighted people began to escape from the *States* to the *America*. The latter vessel, having commenced to back too late, caught fire on her upper deck from the flames of the *States*, she having had on board twenty-five barrels of petroleum, all of which took fire almost instantly. The *America* backed down two or three hundred yards below the wreck of the *States*, near enough the shore to enable all on board to jump ashore. The *States* swung around, head up stream, and sunk in three feet of water forward and seven or eight feet astern. A considerable portion of the wreck will be saved. The *America* is a total loss, but all her passengers and crew, except a poor, unknown emigrant and his two children, were rescued. There were about seventy-five passengers on the *States*, sixty of whom are believed to have escaped. Her register and everything in the office and cabin were lost. Little or nothing was saved by the passengers of either boat. Both hulls are lying near the scene of collision, above Warsaw. All the officers of both steamers acted in the most heroic manner throughout the trying ordeal. Capt. WADE and Mr. REILLY, clerk of the *States*, remained on the roof as long as possible, tearing off shutters and casting them into the water for the struggling victims. Owing to the burning oil, which covered the surface of the river all around and below the doomed steamers, the passengers, with few exceptions, could not be induced to leap overboard. Mr. GEO. NORTHRUP, railroad agent, and Mr. INSKIP, of Madison, jumped from the hurricane deck of the *United States* in the lower part of the *America*, and, strange to say, neither of them was badly hurt. A Mr. GREEN and bride, of Madison, procured life-preservers, but did not understand how to fasten them. On reaching the lower deck, however, Mr. GREEN found some bits of rope, with which he fastened the life-preservers around himself and wife, and tying their arms together, leaped into the water. They reached the shore in safety. All the members of his troupe saved themselves. A little son of Mr. JACK PEARCE, only 11 years old, jumped from the hurricane roof of the *States* and swam ashore. His mother and younger brother perished. Capt. PEARCE, Wm. TAYLOR, clerk, and other officers of the *America*, remained on the stern of their boat until she swung around against the bank. Mr. TAYLOR, having over-exerted himself, swooned away on reaching land.

Mr. DITMORE, one of the pilots of the *America*, did not leave his post until the boat was completely shrouded in smoke and the fire was coming through the door of the pilot-house. He gallantly had to groope his way along by the water buckets on the roof until he reached the stern of the boat and jumped off. Mr. HAYS and his wife, from Nashville, made the perilous leap from the roof of the *States* to the lower deck of the *America*. It resulted in the loss of Mrs. HAYS. Her heart-broken husband went aboard the *Dumont* to Cincinnati. Mr. JAMES P. DOWNEY, of Nashville, was badly injured. He was taken in charge by the Masons at Warsaw. Mr. JAMES MCFERRAN and wife, from Nashville, made an exceedingly narrow escape by leaping from the upper deck of the *States*. They arrived here all safe on the *General Buell*. Mr. GEORGE ZIEGLER and wife from Nashville, also, made a similar escape, and were among the passengers on the *Buell*. Both couples were on their bridal tour. As soon as the people of Warsaw discovered the light of the burning steamers, they turned out *en masse*, rang the town bell, and assembled on the Kentucky shore opposite the wrecks. In a short time they got up steam on the tow-boat *Reindeer*, and across the river, and picked up a large number of persons from the water and from the hulks of the destroyed steamers. The *Lady Grace* reached the scene from above in time to render very effective assistance to the sufferers. She made two trips, and took everybody to Warsaw, where the people gave themselves up wholly to the alleviation of the distressed. Every man, woman and child in the town exerted themselves unceasingly while there was one poor unfortunate in need of succor. It is Capt. WOOLFOLK's opinion that Mr. WM. GARVIN was burned alive in his stateroom. The last seen of him, he was sitting at the stove in the ladies' cabin, about 6 o'clock. Mr. ROBERT DUNKINS and his wife escaped by jumping from the top of the *States* to the boiler-deck of the *America*. Before the arrival of the *Reindeer* and *Lady Grace*, Mr. RAIL's house, about half a mile below the wreck, was opened to the saved, and everything in human power was done to make them comfortable. Mr. RAIL even tore down his fences to make fires for the wet and chilly ones who had jumped or fallen into the water. Mr. TAYLOR saved all the books, money and other valuables in the office of the *America*, but nothing whatever could be rescued from the *States*. Miss MARY L. JOHNSON, whose body was recovered at the Madison shipyard, is supposed to have been chilled to death, as when found her hair was perfectly dry. She was a most beautiful and gifted young lady, only 17 years old. Her father, who had not seen her for over three months, idolized her, and was so impatient for her return he that he prevailed upon his nephew, Mr. LEWIS JOHNSON, to go after her. The two had retired to their state-rooms but a few moments before the awful occurrence. Miss JOHNSON had not undressed at all, but her cousin had lain down. He was just about in search of his precious charge, with two life-preservers in hand. It appears that he succeeded in finding her and placing a life-preserver upon her body, but both found watery graves. The light of life was never shut out from two purer souls. On her downward trip the officers of the *General Buell* made diligent inquiry for the living and dead passengers of the ill-fated boats, and took aboard every one that could be found. An unknown corpse was picked up at Vevay, Ind., and interred there. The bodies of Miss JOHNSON and the cabin-boy named SMITH were taken aboard the *Buell*. The former was brought to this city, and the latter left at Madison, where the victim had lived.

DR. McCOSH.

His Reception and Address in Philadelphia.

The reception given to Rev. JAMES MCCOSH, D.D., LL.D., by the Philadelphia Alumni of Princeton College, of which institution he is President, was a very successful and enjoyable affair. The public exercises took place in Rev. Dr. CROWELL's Church, which was crowded. Hon. Judge STROUD, of the class of 1817, President of the Alumni Association, occupied the chair, and made a few opening remarks. The address of welcome was made by Hon. BENJ. HARRIS BREWSTER, and the congratulatory address by Hon. WM. C. ALEXANDER, President of the New-York Alumni Association, followed. Addresses were also made by Dr. MCCOSH and Prof. STEPHEN ALEXANDER, of Princeton College. President MCCOSH said:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I do not intend to make any reference to politics, but I like the President elect of the United States, who, when any one attempts to give him a reception, wants to make his reply very brief. I believe that Presidents of the lower order should imitate his example. There is this difference between him and me—that he is known in this country by his works and his great military skill, and I have yet in this land to make myself known, and so I appear under the necessity of saying a few words to you—a few words coming from the depths of my heart. It is my good fortune and my misfortune to have been addressed by two men of great eminence. I have often heard of the eloquence of Attorney-General BREWSTER, and I am glad to have heard him this evening. Mr. ALEXANDER is employed the whole of the day at figures, no doubt a very important office, but I would rather he was employed in giving us figures of speech. Mr. BREWSTER is employed in a field of usefulness in which his powers are known with great success every day. I would have had very great difficulty in receiving some of the honors that have been paid to me since I came to this country, but for two considerations. One is that they have been paid to me as a stranger, in order to give me a welcome, and in order to make me fully at home. Now, I felt that I did need such an encouragement, for I had left a sphere of honor and high usefulness, and turned myself from the midst of relatives and friends to come to you. I did rejoice to find that when I came here I should meet with friends. There is another consideration which has induced me to submit to such compliments as have been paid to me, that hereby I may benefit that college over which I have now been placed. My general views on collegiate education have been given in the address which I delivered on the day of my inauguration, and I certainly was surprised at the patience of an American audience, for I was so situated that I was obliged to make my lecture one of considerable length, for I knew that if I did not expound my views fully that they would be misunderstood, and I would no doubt be engaged in a number of explanatory statements in the newspapers. I was certainly astonished that a large audience was induced to listen for two mortal hours to an explanation which I was obliged to give. I do not intend to go over again the subjects which I treated in that lecture. I am greatly obliged to the public Press of the United States, and I take this opportunity of saying so, for the way in which they have received that address. I have seen no criticism of it. I have occasionally found some persons differing from the views which I expounded, but I have nowhere found that that address has been received in an improper spirit, but in the most generous manner. I intend, so far as God enables me, and so far as I receive the assistance of the alumni, to keep up the collegiate education of Princeton College. I hope it may be in my power to increase the learning of the students. I was quite fresh up to Oxford with the men of Oxford, Cambridge, Edinboro, and Trinity College, Dublin, and in all cases they equaled them, and in some they stood above them. If anybody imagines that because I am favorable to gymnastic exercises I want to neglect the higher branches of learning they are wrong. What I mean is to induce men to advance further in learning than they have ever done in that college, or than they have ever done in this country. I believe this can be accomplished without difficulty. On the other hand, while I think that a select body of students should in such things as classics, and in the branches of mental sciences, seek to attain a higher point of learning, we should have large museums, and numbers of young men employed in chemical laboratories. These views have been developed by me in public. They were developed in the lectures which I referred to. It was written in Europe, and had no special reference to America, or special reference to any college in America, and less of all to the College of Princeton. Perhaps there are some people here who would like to know what I think of Princeton College. Well, I will tell you what is expected in two years. I have been equally impressed with its excellence and I have been equally impressed with its deficiency. The speaker then proceeded to state the deficiencies which he had found since he had been President of the College, and strongly urged that the wants be supplied forthwith. "I will go forward with the alumni and lead them, and carry out those schemes which I have indicated in my inaugural lecture. So far as I have conferred with the Trustees of the College, I have found that there is the most earnest desire to consider any scheme that may be brought forward to promote the interest of the students. I am able this day to thank God because I have been brought to this country, and to thank you for calling me here; and I believe that nowhere throughout the wide world could I have had allotted to me a field so congenial to my taste and fitted to do so great good with the Divine blessing than the one in which I am placed. [Applause.]

THE UPPER HUDSON.

Plan for Slack-Water Navigation—Prevention of Freshets.

The Troy *Times* says: "The report of the State Engineer for 1869, now being printed for the use of the coming Legislature, embodies among other interesting details the report in full of the surveys made in 1868 by SAMUEL MCELROY, civil engineer, for the improvement of the Hudson River to slack-water navigation from Troy to Fort Edward, about forty miles, and a corresponding improvement to the Champlain Canal from Fort Edward to Lake Champlain, about twenty-five miles, with locks 225 feet by thirty and a half feet, adapted to eight feet water way; and also the comparative cost of improving the Champlain Canal from Troy to Whitehall, with locks 225 feet by twenty-five, and seven feet water way. The report discusses the topography of the Hudson and Champlain Valley, New-York Harbor improvement, river improvements below Troy dam, sketch of the Upper Hudson, survey extension for flood relief, sketch of the Champlain Canal, general agreement of improvement plans and estimates.

From this discussion it appears that a dam at the Highlands, on the Hudson, one hundred and fifty feet high, would turn the stream into Lake Champlain and the St. Lawrence; that the remedy which New-York Harbor really needs for the difficulties of navigation at Hell gate from the swift tidal currents; at Flushing bay from the shoals of sand; at Erie basin; at the New-York slips from immense deposits of silt; at Sandy Hook from a narrow, shifting and shallow channel, would be found by connecting New-York and Brooklyn with a masonry dyke about four hundred feet wide, with two or more ship locks, and by making a ship canal at the Harlem River, so that the whole volume of the North River could go out at one end when the present tidal flux and reflux be prevented on the East River, and the facilities of sound and river commerce be turned into their legitimate and natural channel at the head of New-York Island. This would also solve effectually the problem of connecting New-York and Brooklyn.

The estimates of the report show that on a comparison of the items of cost the sum of $4,584,379 will secure eight feet water way, by the river plan, from Troy to Whitehall, while it will cost $5,866,851 to secure seven feet water way by the canal plan, and that the 'commercial, military and mechanical advantages are distinctly in favor of the river plan;' the value of the developed mill power alone being shown to be about $4,834,600.

The suggestions contained in this report, furnished by an engineer thoroughly qualified to make them, merit the consideration of all who are interested in the commercial development of our State and our city, and it is to be hoped that at no distant day they will have a practical illustration."

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

ALLEGED ELECTION FRAUDS.

Charges of Bribery and Corruption—Altered Returns—Hard Swearing on Both Sides.

Yesterday the Committee of the Board of Canvassers, Messrs. COMAN, MOORE and CONNER, to whom was referred the various protests sent in to the Board, met at noon, Alderman COMAN in the Chair.

The first protest taken up was that of Mr. C. C. PINCKNEY, against canvassing the returns from the Seventeenth District, Twenty-first Ward.

The Chairman of the Committee said that the error complained of by Mr. PINCKNEY was evidently merely a clerical one, and this being altered the case was disposed of.

The following protest was then read:

To the Board of Canvassers:

I, JAMES E. MCVEANY, protest against the canvass of a forged return from the Fourteenth Precinct of the Ninth District, purporting to be the vote of 60 votes, received at that precinct, at the late Charter Election, for the office of Assistant Alderman, 121 votes; Col. CONKLING, for Mayor, received 180 votes; PETER CUZNER received, for Alderman, 770 votes; and JNO. G. HALLIDAY, 63 votes; A. OAKEY HALL received for Mayor 315 votes. After the canvass a portion of the returns have been fraudulently and feloniously altered. I will appear from their inspection, and as I am prepared to prove. The word and the figure "one" (1) have been scratched from my vote, so that the return gives me but 21 votes. The hundred stolen from me is given CUELER, sending his vote above to 370, being 55 more than Mr. HALL received for Mayor, and making the aggregate Democratic vote for Assistant Alderman 190 more than for Mayor. The fraud is transparent, and I appeal to the honor of the members of your Board for justice.

J. E. MCVEANY.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 9, 1865.

A similar protest was read in regard to the Eleventh District.

Mr. COMAN said the returns gave 429 votes for Assistant Alderman, and 424 for Mayor. It appeared to be a clerical error.

Mr. CHAS. S. SPENCER, who appeared on behalf of Mr. MCVEANY, said he should be prepared to prove that a fraud had been committed by the alteration of the returns.

Mr. VINCENT CLARK, Deputy Clerk at Metropolitan Police Headquarters, produced the tallies and poll lists of the Eleventh District, Ninth Ward, shewing that CULKIN received 107 votes and MCVEANY 180.

Mr. SPENCER said it was apparent, on examination of the returns, that the "y" in the word eighty had been scratched out, thus making MCVEANY's vote 108 instead of 180, while CULKIN's vote had been altered from 107 to 170.

ROBERT H. JOHNSTON, one of the canvassers in the Eleventh District, Ninth Ward, deposed that the return shown him was sent to Police Headquarters on election night; it gave MCVEANY 180 and CULKIN 107 votes; he signed that return; after examining the full returns now shown him, he felt doubtful whether they had been altered or not.

WM. LAKE, one of the canvassers of the canvassers, was then called. He examined the returns said to be altered, and declared them to be correct; he signed the return sent to Police Headquarters with Mr. JOHNSTON, but did not look at it before signing it; did not know whether it was correct or not; considered that return did not amount to anything.

The tallies of the Fourteenth District, Ninth Ward, were then produced, showing CULKIN to have received 270 votes, and MCVEANY 121.

Mr. SPENCER then exhibited the canvassers returns, on which as he claimed CULKIN's 270 votes had been altered to 370, and MCVEANY's 121 to 21.

Mr. S. B. LAKE, one of the canvassers in this District, deposed that the vote was 121 for MCVEANY, and 270 for CULKIN. The returns now shown him had been altered; on election night he placed the returns in the hands of JOHN J. FOLEY; the returns gave CULKIN 270, MCVEANY 121 votes; they were compared and the result read out aloud.

Mr. JOHN J. FOLEY, the other canvasser in this District, deposed that the returns sent to the Board of Canvassers were correct; he signed the returns sent to Police Headquarters on election night without reading them.

Alderman WHITE deposed to having read the returns of the Fourteenth District, Ninth Ward; the returns shown him he had seen before; the returns were read by him partly at his own house and partly at the office of the Clerk of the Common Council; he deposited them in what he considered to be a place of safety, and there next morning and saw Mr. MCVEANY, who said, "I am beat," or words to that effect; MCVEANY pulled out the drawer in which the returns were and showed the returns open; the returns now in the hands of the Board of Canvassers don't correspond with the returns he saw in the drawer; didn't know who else touched them; MCVEANY remarked that the returns had been altered.

Mr. DANIEL A. ANDERSON deposed that he was present when the vote for Assistant Alderman was canvassed in the Fourteenth District; he saw FOLEY take MCVEANY's tickets off the table and substitute CULKIN's; the vote for Assistant Alderman was announced as 117 for MCVEANY.

Mr. GEO. T. COPPIN gave testimony corroborative of Mr. ANDERSON's.

Mr. LAKE was recalled, and deposed that before the canvass commenced FOLEY took him into an inner room and said that in his opinion the race lay between HAVILAND and MCVEANY; that he had a heavy bet depending on MCVEANY's election, and that he would give witness $25 if he would allow a portion of the votes for MCVEANY to be counted for CULKIN. Witness refused to do anything of the kind.

Mr. KINSLEY, Poll Clerk, testified that he wrote out the body of two of the returns. Those returns, now exhibited to him, had been altered. The vote of 121 for MCVEANY had been altered to 21.

Mr. SPENCER said this closed his case.

The defence then called Mr. JAMES GOUGH, of No. 42 Spring-street. He deposed that he saw Mr. LAKE throw some of CULKIN's tickets on the floor; saw Mr. ANDERSON pass LAKE some of MCVEANY's tickets; this was about 6 P. M.; was interested in CULKIN's election; did not speak of what he saw at the time; the officers would not let him get near the table; is a boiler-maker by trade, and works at No. 36 Washington-street.

Messrs. LAKE and ANDERSON were both recalled by Mr. SPENCER and denied the truth of GOUGH's statement.

Mr. SPENCER remarked that he did not think it would pay to introduce more evidence. The Committee, he believed, understood the matter as well as he did.

Mr. FOLEY was recalled and testified that when the returns were given him he took them home and locked them up; no scratching was done on them; next morning he delivered them; he changed no tickets; saw some changed; the canvass was finished about 10 P. M.

The Committee called the canvassers of the Sixteenth District, Ninth Ward, but they not appearing the Committee took a recess until 3 P. M. On reassembling, and the canvassers not appearing, the chairman of the Committee announced that the case was closed.

Mr. SPENCER went over the evidence and claimed that he had proved that a fraud had been committed, and asked that the returns be made to correspond with the poll lists and tallies.

The Committee then adjourned to noon to-day, when it is expected the matter will be finally disposed of.

The Palestine Exploration Fund—Long Island Historical Society—Report by Rev. Dr. Budington.

The regular meeting of the Long Island Historical Society was held in the chapel of the Packer Institute, Brooklyn, Tuesday evening.

Rev. W. J. BUDINGTON, D. D., presented a report on the objects and operations of the Palestine Exploration Fund, with special reference to the recent explorations in Jerusalem. He commenced by naming a number of the gentlemen to whom the exploration owed its efficiency. Much of the evidence which was to settle many disputes was to be brought from beneath the soil. A preliminary exploration had been made of Jerusalem by Capt. WILSON, to whom they were indebted for an excellent map. The present exploration was under the direction of Lieut. WARREN. He begins with the determination of taking nothing for granted. The inclosure on Mount Moriah, where undoubtedly the Temple stood, consisted of about thirty-five acres, and is known as the Harem-area. Mr. FERGUSON maintained that this was a Christian structure. The spot on which the Mosque of Omar stood was regarded as sacred by Jew and Musselman alike. The object of Lieut. WARREN now was to find the exact spot on which stood the Temple site, then fix upon the place where stood the altar. This he expected to be enabled in doing by examining certain underground evidences in the form of channels, supposed to have been used for carrying off the blood of the sacrifices made by the priests. Already he had found stones so nicely laid, ninety feet below the surface, that he could not get his knife between them. The speaker described the progressive steps of the exploration of the Tyropean Valley, the Arch of Robinson and the Arch of Wilson. The discovery of these arches appeared to establish the theory that a series of arches were stretched across the Tyropean Valley for the purpose of connecting the Temple on Mount Moriah with the Palace of the Kings of Judah on Mount Sion. He had already discovered the location of the walls of the City of Jerusalem, a fact that undoubtedly lead him to determine the site of the Holy Sepulchre. Lieut. WARREN thought he had discovered, in the course of his excavations, the masonry which Titus caused to be built to shut off the water-courses from the aid of the enemy, so as to protect the city. Dr. BUDINGTON said he was convinced that the Christian world of this or of the next generation was likely to have grand solutions of truth made to them.

Wm. H. THOMSON, M. D., who said he was a native of the land alluded to by Dr. BUDINGTON, and was as familiar with the region as many of the audience were with Brooklyn and New-York, related some interesting facts as to discoveries of evidences found in Sidon and the region about it. One of these had settled the fact that the Greek alphabet had been derived from the Phœnician language. Dr. THOMSON's observations related to the traces of ancient civilization rather than the subject immediately under consideration.

Rev. A. P. PUTNAM expressed his gratitude for the discoveries that had already been made, and for the encouraging promise of more to come. He seconded the proposition of Dr. BUDINGTON that add be sent to their British friends who were promoting this work. It out of it were to come great and grand things—treasures of knowledge—the reconstruction of history.

Rev. R. S. STORRS, D. D., said Jerusalem was a little tongue of land occupying less ground than there was in Prospect Park. It was about 1,900 years older than Rome. It signified peace, and when KING DAVID defended it against the Jebusites there was no spot on the earth on which there had been more scenes of blood and carnage. He formed all his conceptions of the City of Jerusalem and its surroundings, without having been there in person. He pointed out some of the vagaries of tradition, and, although not made a pleasant sketch of the topography of Jerusalem.

The meeting then adjourned.

The Roberts Homicide—An Open Verdict Rendered.

Coroner FLYNN yesterday held an inquest in the case of JAMES THOMAS ROBERTS, the reporter, who died from the effects of a beating said inst ed at the hands of some unknown ruffians on the 11th ult. The following evidence was elicited:

Caroline Roberts, of No. 310 East Thirty-eighth-street, testified: Deceased was my husband; on the 11th ult. he was absent from home all night; on the following morning I heard that he had been injured through the newspapers, and that he had been taken to Bellevue; I called to see him, when he informed me that he had been injured in a liquor-store at the corner of Second-avenue and Thirty-second-street; he told me that as he was leaving the place two men attacked him and beat him on the head; one of the men had struck him with his fists, and the other one, he thought, shot him on the back of the head; he said the name of the man who beat him was named John McDonald, and the other one he said he would shoot down as soon as he got out of hospital; he said he knew him. Never did see the murderer.

James Garvin, proprietor of a liquor saloon at No. 585 Second-avenue: On the evening of the 11th ult., I was in my saloon conversing with a customer, when I heard my bar-keeper say, "Will, put that man out, he is bleeding; let him go where he got hurt;" there was no altercation; the man walked out quietly; I did not know then or since who he was; I knew nothing more of it until I met Officer Horsman, who asked me what had occurred; I told him I had heard of no disturbance, and that none had occurred in my place; I heard of Mr. Roberts' death through the papers.

Officer John Horsman, of the Twenty-first Precinct Police, testified: On the 11th of November, shortly after six o'clock P. M., I met deceased on the corner of Thirty-third-street and Second-avenue; there were two men standing near him, one of whom told me that deceased had been cut at the corner of Thirty-second-street and Second-avenue; I asked the deceased if he knew the parties who cut him; he said, "Yes, but I don't want to have anything to do with them;" he told me he had been struck with a tumbler while he was coming out of the liquor-store at the above place; he said, "Bring me to Bellevue Hospital; I am bleeding fast from the head, but I don't think the wound is much; I took him to Bellevue Hospital, and in the office I asked him again for the names of the parties who had assaulted him; he refused to give them to me; I saw no appearance of any disturbance around Garrie's liquor-store that night.

Wm. Darling, of No. 253 East Thirty-second-street, deposed: On the 11th of November I was in Garrie's liquor-store; at that time a man came in who was bleeding from the head; the barkeeper asked me to show him the door, which I did; he was very much intoxicated, and went out quietly.

Michael Garrie, of No. 304 East Thirty-fourth-street, testified that he was barkeeper at No. 585 Second-avenue, and was in the store when the deceased came in; his head was bleeding, and he seemed to be very much intoxicated; asked Mr. Darling to show him to the door; the deceased went out very quietly, and I saw nothing more of him.

The jury rendered a verdict that the deceased came to his death by fracture of the skull, the result of injuries received at the hands of some unknown persons.

Newspaper Printing in Colors.

An improvement upon the ordinary flat-head cylinder press was exhibited yesterday at the office of Messrs. FRENCH & WHEAT, No. 13 Park-row, by which it is feasible to print in seven or more colors at one revolution of the press. Small cylinders are made to revolve upon a segment of the periphery of the main cylinder of the press. Attached to the face of each of these small cylinders is a portion of the metal plate of the picture which is to be printed, each section of the plate being so nicely adjusted in its place as to make the picture perfect on the paper when it passes from the press, and each cylinder representing a distinct color. The specimens of the work shown yesterday were novel enough, and give promise of usefulness for the invention. The proprietors do not claim for it that it will supersede the process of printing in colors by hand. On the contrary, the invention, even when it shall have been thoroughly perfected, can only be made available for printing "cuts" and "plates" in large quantities. It would prove too expensive for ordinary small jobs, but could be used advantageously, for instance, on weekly papers of great circulation, and would, doubtless, prove greatly attractive to their patrons. A short time since a paper in Boston issued an edition with colored engravings to its subscribers. The entire quantity printed—40,000—had to be run through sixteen hand-presses, once for each color, requiring the services of a man to each press night and day for two weeks. Under the new process as good work can be done by the single press in forty-eight hours.

Gov. Hoffman.

The arrangements made for the inauguration of the Governor of the State are as follows: He will be escorted by the Seventy-first Regiment, which will leave this City for Albany on Thursday, Dec. 31, by the Hudson River Railroad. The Seventy-first will be escorted to the Thirtieth-street depot by the Twenty-second Regiment, and will be received on their arrival at the State capital by the Burgesses Corps, one of the finest military organizations in the State. The Seventy-first Regiment will turn out about four hundred strong, besides their band and drum corps. The military will stop at the Delavan House. They will return home on the 2d of January, and will be received on their arrival by the Twelfth Regiment.

Close of Navigation on the Hudson.

Yesterday the Hudson River steamboat *Hero* arrived at her pier—the last boat of the season. It was with the utmost difficulty that the *Hero* succeeded in making her down trip, the river being in many places almost blockaded with ice. The Captain reports that he had the river all to himself coming down, having neither passed nor met a single craft.

Board of Councilmen.

The Board met at 2 o'clock P. M. yesterday, pursuant to adjournment, President MONOGHAN in the chair.

A resolution directing the Comptroller to pay JOHN HOUGHTALING, late Clerk of Arrears, $437 94, for extra services, was adopted.

A resolution that the wages of laborers employed by the Street Department be fixed at $3 per day was also adopted.

A resolution was adopted fixing the salary of the official reporter of the Board at $3,500.

The Board adopted a resolution to appropriate $2,071 94 to St. Joseph's Church, Ninth-avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, to pay assessment for construction of a sewer.

A resolution that the Comptroller pay the Pound Keeper of the City $416 58, for extra services, was objected to. Referred to Committee on Charitable and Donations.

The number of resolutions to have certain streets with Belgian pavement were adopted, and the Board then adjourned.

POLICE COURTS.

THE TOMBS—DOWLING, JUSTICE.

ROBBED BY A WOMAN.

FREDERICK HUDSON, a stranger in the City, and now temporarily stopping at the House of Detention for witnesses, made a charge of larceny against MARY STRANG, of No. 97 Cherry-street, aged 20, a native of Connecticut. He stated that he had $42 in a pocket in his shirt, and met MARY in a restaurant on the corner of James and Chambers streets, where she obtained possession of the money by strategy. HUDSON discovered his loss soon after her hurried departure, and pursued and caused her arrest by Officer CHUMLEY, of the Fourth Precinct. MARY said that the complainant had given her the money to keep when he was intoxicated. She was held for trial.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.

GEORGE W. ROBINSON, of No. 156 Grand-street, and a physician, entered a charge of attempted burglary against WILLIAM J. MCMAHON, who had been arrested at his request. It appears that Dr. ROBINSON heard some one working at the door leading into the yard, which is fastened by a bolt, and he saw the prisoner go from the door into the yard three or four times, when he caused his arrest, the fellow being caught on the fence. The Magistrate remanded the accused for trial.

DUDLEY R. R. WILCOX, of No. 254 Cumberland-street, Brooklyn, also appeared in court as a complainant against MCMAHON, as he had been assaulted, in

to McGraw, who demanded payment of Broderick's executor in gold, and refused payment in legal tenders. Such payment being refused, petition was filed in the Probate Court of San Francisco to compel payment in gold, and it was shown that the assets were sufficient to pay the amount in such coin. The Probate Court ordered that payment be made "in United States gold coin," to which the executor excepted, and appealed to this Court. It is now contended, in this case, and in different words, in the other cases considered with it, that the Legal tender act was within the powers of Congress conferred by article 1, section 8, subdivision 18 of the Constitution; and that in the choice of means to carry into effect the powers expressly granted, Congress is not restricted to those which are absolutely essential, but may select those which are useful or conducive to the end, or calculated to effect the object, and Congress is the sole judge of the degree of necessity or expediency. Nor is it necessary even that the power to be exercised should be necessary to the execution of any single one of the powers so expressly granted. It may result from the aggregate powers of the Government. The past practice of our own and other Governments is cited to show that the power to issue notes or bills of credit is a well-known and sanctioned expedient of Governments in time of emergency. On the part of the defendant in error in this case, it is contended that it was not the intention of Congress in any case to make the law apply to trusts or trust funds, and that to hold otherwise would destroy all trust and confidence between man and man, and hold out a premium to fraud and villainy, and without the slightest legal necessity under the Legal-tender act. Where rights are infringed, where fundamental principles are overthrown, where the general system of the laws is departed from, the legislative intention must be expressed with irresistible clearness, to induce a court of justice to suppose a design to effect such objects.

Judge B. R. Curtis represents one of the Willard Brothers, of hotel fame, in a case for the specific performance of a contract to convey real estate involving the legal-tender question, arguing in support of the constitutionality of the act; James M. Carlisle appears on the same side of the question in the McGraw case, and Wm. Preston, of Kentucky, supports, by brief, the same views.

Clarkson N. Potter appears on the other side of the question, and John A. Wills, of California, maintains that the act does not apply to trusts and trust funds. John J. Townsend contends that the act cannot affect private contracts made before its passage.

FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE LEGAL-TENDER CASES—THE OBLIGATION OF CONTRACT—THE WILLARD CASE.

Joseph C. Willard vs. *Benjamin C. Taylor.*—This is a bill for the specific performance of a contract to convey real estate. The facts are as follows: In the month of May, 1853, the complainant and his brother, H. A. Willard, purchased of the respondent the "Willard's Hotel" property, in Washington, and considering it important that the "Mansion House" property adjacent should not be used as a public house except in connection with the hotel, it was agreed with Taylor that the house should not be rented for hotel purposes for ten years, and that the Willard Brothers should have the refusal of it for $22 800. In April, 1855, the respondent leased the Mansion House to the complainant for ten years, and contracted that complainant should have the right or option to purchase the property at any time during the term of the lease, for the sum above named, $2,000 to be in cash, and the balance to be paid in sums of $2 000 per year until paid. Just before the expiration of the lease, (in April, 1865,) complainant notified respondent that he would take the property, and tendered his check for the $2,000 cash payment. The respondent declined to accept payment in currency, and demanded payment in gold. The complainant therefore commenced proceedings to compel a specific performance of the contract to convey, contending that the tender of Treasury notes was sufficient. The respondent claimed, below, that the contract was made with both Joseph C. and Henry A. Willard, and that both should have been parties to the proceeding, and that they should have joined in the tender. A specific performance being asked, it was claimed that complainant should show that there had been such performance, or offer to perform, on his part, as that he had not been a joint acceptance by the Willard Brothers—the only acceptance contemplated by the contract. The complaint was dismissed, and the cause came thence to this Court. The great question in the case (all technical questions passed over) is whether Congress had power to attach to Treasury notes the quality of lawful money, so that by force of law they shall be receivable and payable for private dues. And it is submitted that the attaching such a quality to these notes may have been to attain either one of two objects—to create a medium of circulation among the people deemed by Congress preferable to the medium heretofore sanctioned by law; or, because it was deemed by Congress necessary to enable it to exercise its constitutional power to borrow money. If the last hypothesis may be true, say counsel, it is Court is bound to assume that it is true. It can have no judicial knowledge of the actual motives which caused an act of Congress, unless those motives are declared in the act itself. But to an act of Congress is valid, proved it was passed as a means to a particular end, and there is nothing on the face of the act or in the nature of the case showing it was not passed as a means to that end, the judicial result is that the act was passed as a means to that end. The argument is reduced to these positions: That Congress having power to borrow money, the choice of means is within the discretion with but two general limitations: First—That the means chosen should be appropriate and conducive to the end. Second—That the means chosen by Congress are not prohibited by any express provision of the Constitution, nor by any just deduction or implication from its provisions. It is asserted that this Court cannot declare that attaching to Treasury notes the quality of lawful money had not a direct and appropriate connection with borrowing money on those notes by the Government of the United States. Counsel then answers the objection raised, that there are just implications from other provisions of the Constitution which prohibit the means chosen. To first objection is that the giving to Treasury notes the quality of lawful money impairs the obligation of contracts. The chief answer to this is, that the obligation of a contract, in the sense in which those words are used, not only in the Constitution of the United States, but in the jurisprudence from which the framers of our Constitution borrowed the term, is the duty of performing it which is recognized and enforced by law. Other answers to this and other objections are made at great length by counsel retained in this case and others heard with it. After argument on the minor and technical points, opposing counsel in this case contend, first, that the tender in currency was not sufficient, because such notes are not a legal tender for any purpose. Because, if a legal tender, they are a legal tender only for debts, and the amount to be paid in order to entitle the complainant to a conveyance was not a debt or obligation of any kind; but its payment was simply the performance of a condition.

The argument of the Attorney-General will follow, made on behalf of the United States, in pursuance of an order of the court giving leave for such a hearing. This argument will be on the general question involved, and will not, of course, touch on any special question applicable only to particular cases.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW-YORK.

Before Judge Blatchford and a Jury.

THE WATSON & CRAREY CASE—FOURTH DAY.

The United States vs. *Thirty-eight Hundred Gallons of Whisky.*—The trial of this case was resumed yesterday morning by the claimants recalling

Asa Blanchard, who was cross-examined by Mr. Courtney, and testified that he was first employed by Watson & Crarey, about two years ago as a distiller; he did not know them at the time; he lived in Peabody, Mass., and was engaged as distiller for them by one William Stewart, who brought him here and introduced him to Mr. Crarey; he left their employment a year ago last May, having worked for them three years; during that time he had often seen Stewart about the place; he could not swear positively that Nelson did not bring spirits to Watson & Crarey's in February, March or April, 1867; had no recollection in the matter.

The next witness called was *Mason Loeb*, who testified that in February, 1868, he was a rectifyer of spirits at No. 611 West Thirty-third-street, and that he sold Watson & Crarey, through Mr. Sloss, seventy-five barrels of spirits in that month.

Jesse H. Libby was next called, and testified that he succeeded Mr. Blanchard as foreman for Watson & Crarey; he kept the rectifying book; he was on the place when it was seized; there were about 4,000 gallons of spirits in the establishment at the time of the seizure; the last spirits he received was seventy-five barrels from Mr. Loeb and thirty barrels from Mr. Duffy; this is all the spirits that then were in the establishment when it was seized; there were about 125 empty barrels on the place; the brands had been effaced; he made the entries in the receiving-book, and generally made them in pencil, and after proving their correctness made the entry in ink; on the 11th of February, the day the thirty barrels were received from Duffy, he put it down in pencil; it being so late that afternoon he did not, as was his usual custom, make the entry in ink on the same day, but let it go over to the next day.

Orestes Cleveland.—He gave the paper on which was an account of the proof gallons, gauging, &c., of the spirits received from Duffy to Mr. Crarey the next morning. This witness was examined to some length, but nothing new brought out.

Case adjourned to 11 A. M. to-day.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

ALL CRIMINAL CASES TO BE HEARD BY JUDGE BENEDICT—THE FULLERTON CASE.

During an intermission in the Watson & Crarey trial, the District-Attorney applied to this Court for an order in the case of the United States vs. Fullerton et al., which was set down for to-day by Judge Nelson. He said that as counsel for the defendants were in Court, he would like to have some definite day arranged to have the case heard.

Judge BLATCHFORD said: By a special order of Judge Nelson all criminal matters in this district are to be heard by Judge Benedict, and he will sit on Saturdays in the Circuit Court for that purpose.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE.

Before Commissioner Osborn.

THE HARVEY WHISKY CASE.

A man named James Harvey was arrested and taken before Commissioner OSBORN, charged with removing nine barrels of whisky from the bonded warehouse at No. 14 East Twenty-fifth-street. The tax not having been paid on the same. The testimony showed that the prisoner forced an entrance into the warehouse early on the morning of the 3d inst., and removed the whisky on a truck. Next Tuesday was appointed for the examination of the case.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM—DEC. 10.

Before Judge Ingraham.

THE RIGHT OF COLORED MEN TO BE REGISTERED AS VOTERS.

The People ex rel. James H. Darnall vs. *The Board of Inspectors of Registry, &c.*—This case was before our Courts some time ago. It was instituted for the purpose of testing the constitutional question whether colored men have the right to be registered as voters in this State, when they admit they have not the property qualification specified in the Constitution of 1846. The relator Darnall, just previous to the general election in November, 1866, applied to the Registers of the Second Election District of the Eighteenth Ward of this City, for the purpose of having his name entered on the lists, so that he might vote. Being a man of color, he was asked, under oath, the question, among others, whether he had been, during the year then next preceding, seized in his own right of a freehold estate of the value of $250. The relator answered no to that question, and thereupon the Inspectors refused to register his name. An alternative *mandamus* was then issued out of the Supreme Court to compel the Inspectors to register Darnall's name or show cause why they did not. The Inspectors made a return, setting up the facts of the case as above mentioned, and referring to the Constitution of this State adopted in 1846, which is at present in force. That clause of it which has application here is as follows:

"But no man of color, unless he shall have been for three years a citizen of this State, and for the year next preceding any election shall have been seized and possessed of a freehold estate of the value of $250, over and above all debts and incumbrances charged thereon, and shall have been actually rated and paid a tax thereon, shall be entitled to vote at such election," &c. (Cons. of 1846, art. 2, last clause of sec. 1.)

To this return the relator put in a demurrer, and the case came on for argument to-day, in Special Term, before Judge Sutherland, and will be continued on Monday next, at the opening of the Court. There are several constitutional questions raised by the counsel for the relator, but the principal one is that prior to the Constitution of 1823 there was no distinction on account of color as to the right of suffrage. These then was a vested right to the franchise. The Dartmouth College case was cited to show that the franchise or the right to vote is in the nature of a contract as between the State and the voter. No State can, by the terms of the United States Constitution, pass any law impairing the obligation of contracts, and hence, when colored men once had the right to the suffrage the same as white men, they did prior to 1823, no law, fundamental or statute, is sound which deprives the colored man of that vested right.

Case still on.

For the relator, Mr. Edward Gilbert; for the respondents, Messrs. Bliss and Cadwalader.

Before Judge Cardozo.

THE ERIE RAILWAY WAR.

Belmont vs. *The Erie Railway Company, and McIntosh* vs. *The Same.*—The motion made by the defendants in this case for a reargument of the motion, on which Judge Sutherland appointed Judge Davies receiver, came on to be heard this morning, pursuant to adjournment.

By Judge Sutherland.

The People vs. James Walker; order to show cause granted.

In the matter of the application of Christian Martin to be relieved of guardianship; reference ordered to take proofs, &c.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.—DEC. 10.

By Judge McCunn.

The Manhattan Gas Company vs. Barker; motion for injunction denied with $10 costs.

By Judge Jones.

Liftchild et al. vs. Johnson; motion granted.

Rankin vs. The Broadway Savings Institution; motion granted.

O'Brien, Sheriff, vs. Rowe et al.; motion denied.

Holland vs. Kiefeld; complaint dismissed with costs, and $10 costs of motion.

Hoyt vs. Jardine; motion granted by default.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Recorder Hackett.

Yesterday, in the Court of General Sessions, the Grand Jury presented a number of indictments for various offences, nearly all of them being of a trivial nature. Among the cases disposed of by the Court were the following:

Samuel Smith, jointly indicted with Joseph Hovey, pleaded guilty of burglary in the second degree. The complainant, Mrs. Cullum, who dwells at No. 409 West Forty-fourth-street, stated that on the afternoon of the 24th ult. her rooms were entered, and money and clothing valued at $91, were stolen therefrom. The property was subsequently traced to the possession of the prisoners. Smith was remanded until 2 o'clock for sentence.

Patrick Gorman acknowledged that he stole eighteen unmade coats, valued at $200, from Messrs. Dayton & Sutphin, on the 27th of last month. The theft was committed in the daytime, and was an exceedingly bold one. In view of the previous bad character of the prisoner he was sentenced to State Prison for four years and six months.

Louis Herring and Andrew Brown pleaded guilty of having stolen a case of boots worth $75 from Robert Thomas' store, No. 195 Eighth-avenue, on the 5th inst. They were sentenced to State Prison for one year and six months each.

Wm. J. Austin pleaded guilty of an attempt to commit a burglary. The prisoner was detected, on the afternoon of the 21 inst., in Mary Fetmond's room, in the house No. 62 Cannon-street, attempting to force open a trunk belonging to her. He was sentenced to serve one year in the Penitentiary.

Patrick Cahill admitted that on the 16th of last month he assaulted and robbed a man named Frederick Steeneck, striking him upon the face and head with a tin measure, and severely injuring him. He was sentenced to the Penitentiary for one year.

The Court then adjourned until this morning at 11 o'clock.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—DEC. 10, 1868.

$6,500 U. S. 6s, '81, C..	114⅞	100 Quick. Min. Co....	22¼
25,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20 C., '65	111⅜	100 Cum. Coal Pf.....	37¼
17,000 U. S. 6s, P. R. new ..s3	99⅜	100 Mariposa Min. Co..	5
24,000 do	99⅛	100 Mariposa Pf.....	20
2,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20 R., '65.	106⅞	135 P. M. St. Co.....	114⅝
5,000 5-20 C., '65	108	100 do	114⅝
15,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67.	110⅝	22 Del. & Hud. Can..	132
65,000 do ..s3	110⅝	150 Wells-Fargo Ex..	26
200,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65..... new	110⅞	100 do	26⅛
10,000 U. S. 5-20, C., '65.....	111⅜	100 U. S. Express..	45⅜
10,000 U.S.5s,10-40, C..	106⅜	100 do ..b30	45⅜
25,000 do	107⅛	50 Mer. Un. Ex.....	15⅜
15,000 N. Car. St. 6s....	65¼	100 do	15⅜
5,000 do	65¼	50 N. Y. Cen	124⅜
20,000 do ..bet. call	65¼	200 Harlem Pf.....	120⅜
25,000 N. C. 6s, new	63	100 Mich. So. & N. I.	87
5,000 Tenn. 6s, 6 y. c., bet. call.....	66¾	6 Ill. Central.....	144¼
2,000 do ..3d call	66¾	100 Chi. & N. W	76⅜
9,000 do	69	100 do	76⅝
1,000 do	69	100 C. & N. W. Pf..	85
6,000 Tenn. 6s, new, 2d call.....	68¾	200 Mil. & St. P....	65
2,000 Missouri 8s, 6s..	89⅜	300 do	64¾
5,000 Erie 1st M.....	93⅛	100 Mil. & St. P. Pf..	84
1,000 B., N.Y. & E. 1st	88	100 do	83⅝
3,000 do ..bet. call	87½	100 do ..b30	83⅝
1,000 Chi. & N. W. 1st.	92¾	100 Chi. & R. I. & Pac.	107
1,000 Mich. So. S. F..	97	100 T., W. & W.....	106¼
2,000 Clev. & P. 4th..	80	100 T., W. & W.....	56¾
1,500 West. U. Tel., 7s, 1868.....	88	100 Morris & Essex....	90
1,000 C., P. & A. new.	92	100 do	91
1,000 St. L. & Iron M. R., 1st M. Bds.	86	100 do	110¾
10 Bank of Commerce	124⅜	200 do	110¾
13 do	124⅞	100 do	110¾
5 Bank of St of N.Y.	111	100 do ..b30	110¾
200 West. U. T.....	36¼	100 Ohio & Miss.....	29¾
200 do	36⅜	200 do	29¾
200 do	37⅛	200 do	29¾
200 do	37⅛	100 Mich. So. & N. I....	86¾
200 do	37⅛	100 do	86¾
200 do	37⅛	200 Clev. & Pitts.....	84¾
100 do	37⅛	1000 Chi. & N. W.....	76
100 do	37⅛	200 Chi. & N. W. Pf...	79
100 do	37⅛	200 Clev. & Tol.....	101¾
100 do	37⅛	200 do	101⅝
100 do	37⅛	1000 do ..bet. call	101⅝
100 do	37⅛	100 do	101¾
100 do	37⅛	400 Mil. & St. P. Pf..s30	82¾
100 do	37⅛	20 Lake Shore.....	103⅛
2,000 P. Ft. W. & C. 3d	103⅝	100 Ohio & Miss.....	29¾
28 Bank of Commerce	124⅜	100 do	29¾
100 Canton Co.....	48	100 Chi. & Alton.....	140
10 West. U. T.....	36⅝	21 P., Ft. W. & C.....	111
20 Del. & Huds. Can.	132	10 Ohio, B. & Q.....	170
100 Quick. Min. Co....	21⅞	60 Morris & Essex.....	91
100 do	21⅜	50 C., C. Cin. & Ind..	75¼
		35 N. J. Cen.....	114⅜

OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

50 Mer. U. Ex.....	15⅜	200 Mil. & St. P. Pf....	84¾
10 do	16	200 do	84
100 Pacific Mail.....	113⅜	370 Ohio & Miss.....	29¾
200 do	113⅛	100 do ..b10	29¾
100 do ..b10	113⅜	600 Clev. & Pitts. ex-d.	84¾
100 do ..b3	113⅜	300 Chi. R. I. & P.....	107
100 West. U. T..... c	36⅝	600 do	106¾
500 N. Y. Cen.....	123⅜	300 C. & N. W. ex-d. b3	77
400 do	123⅝	100 do	76¾
900 do	123⅝	200 Mil. & St. P.	65
600 do ..s3	125	300 do	64¾
100 do ..s10	125	100 Mil. & St. P. Pf....	84
600 do	126	300 do	85⅛
200 Reading.....	98	100 do	85⅛
200 Mich. So. & N. I....	86¾	100 P., Ft. W. & C.....	110¾

OPEN BOARD—1 P. M.

$11,800 N. Car. 6s, ex c., '92.....	65½	800 Mich. So. & N. I....	86¾
200 Q. M. Co.....	26	200 Chi. R. I. & Pac. c	106⅜
200 Pac. Mail.....	114⅜	500 do	106⅝
300 do	114⅜	500 do ..b10	106⅝
400 N. Y. Central.....	124⅝	2600 do ..s30	106
200 do ..b3	124⅜	600 do	106¼
200 do c	124⅜	300 Chi. & N. W. ex-d	76
200 Canton Co.....	48	200 do	76⅝
600 Reading.....	97⅞	300 do	76⅝
1197 do	98⅜	200 do ..b3	76⅝
200 Mil. & St. P. Pf..	83	100 do c	76⅝
200 Clev. & Tol.....	100⅝	500 Chi. & N. W. Pf. ex d..... s30	78⅛
200 do	101⅛	300 do	78⅜
400 do ..b10	101⅜		

SECOND BOARD—12½ P. M.

$10 000 5-20 C., '62.....	111	200 Pac. Mail.....	114⅜
2,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20 C., '64.....	107⅜	100 do ..b30	115
10,000 do	107	25 do	115
10,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65, new	110⅛	100 Mariposa Pref.....	20
25,000 5-20s, C., '67..b30	110⅛	100 Cum. Coal Pf.....	37
20,000 do ..s3	110⅛	100 N. Y. Cen.....	124⅛
66,000 do	110⅛	100 do ..b60	125
10,000 5-20, C., '65.....	110⅜	30 do	125
40,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40 R.	106⅜	50 Erie.....	38
11,000 U.S. 5s, 10-40 C..	106⅜	300 Mich. So. & N. I....	86¾
17,000 Tenn. 6s, ex c.	69	200 do	86¾
10,000 Tenn. 6s, 6s., new	68¾	200 Clev. & Pitts.....	84¾
10,000 do	68¾	1000 Chi. & N. W.....	76
2,000 N. Car. State 6s, new	63	200 Chi. & N. W. Pf....	79
10,000 do	62¾	200 Clev. & Tol.....	101¾
1,000 Va. St. 6s, ex c., bet. call.....	65½	200 do	101⅝
2,000 P. Ft. W. & C. 3d	103⅝	1000 do ..bet. call	101⅝
28 Bank of Commerce	124⅜	100 do	101¾
100 Canton Co.....	48	1300 Chi. & R. I. & P.... s3	106
10 West. U. T.....	36⅝	500 Chi. & N. W. ex-d	77⅛
20 Del. & Huds. Can.	132	4.0 do	76
100 Quick. Min. Co....	21⅞	600 Chi. & N. W. Pf. ex-d	77⅝
100 do	21⅜	600 do	78

THURSDAY, Dec. 10—P. M.

The following comparative schedule of the Public Debt of the United States, as reported on another page by telegraph from Washington, to the 1st of December, will be found interesting:

PUBLIC DEBT OF THE UNITED STATES, DEC. 1.

	Nov. 1, 1868.	Dec. 1, 1868.
Original 5-20s, 1862.....	$514,771,600	$514,771,600
Five-Twenties, 1864-5-7-8....	1,687,540,650	1,687,796,300
Sixes of 1881.....	283,677,300	283,677,300
Five ₱ cents, 10-40s.....	194,568,400	194,568,400
Fives of 1871-4.....	27,022,000*	27,022,000
Total Gold-bearing.....	$2,707,577,950	$2,707,886,100
Three ₱ cent. L. T. Cert.....	$58,325,000	$58,140,000
Sixes to Pacific Road.....	42,194,000	44,337,000
Navy Fund.....	14,000,000	14,000,000
Total Currency interest..	$114,519,000	$116,477,000
Greenbacks.....	$356,021,073	$356,021,073
Fractional Currency.....	33,417,985	33,875,288
Gold Notes.....	19,716,840	23,255,840
*Demands free of interest....	9,753,723	8,245,883
Total free of interest.....	$418,908,621	$421,398,084
Total Debt in gross.....	$2,641,092,571	$2,645,711,184
Less Cash in Treasury.....	113,873,019	108,679,320
Total.....	$2,527,120,552	$2,539,031,864
	Nov. 1, 1868.	Dec. 1, 1868.
Gold on hand.....	$103,407,985	$88,625,374
Gold Notes out.....	19,716,840	23,255,840
Belonging to Government..	$83,691,145	$65,169,534
Net increase in Public Debt		$11,902,292

*Past due debt, not presented.

The net increase in the outstanding obligations of the Treasury since the 1st of November is..... $4,708,593

And the decrease of cash on hand is..... 7,198,699

Making increase as above..... $11,902,292

The sales of Gold to-day were at 136¼@136⅛ @136⅛@135⅞@135⅞@136@136@135¾ ₱ cent. The Cash Gold is in easy supply, and from 3 to 6 ₱ cent. interest per annum is paid for carrying over balances; but the buyers for a rise manifested some extra confidence to-day on account of the continued hardening in the rates of Foreign Exchange, which have closely approached the Specie shipping points—109¾ for 60-day bills on London, and 110¾@110⅝ ₱ cent. for 3 days' sight. The additional advance of ¼@¼ ₱ cent. to-day checked the freedom of demand at the close of the day, although the impression prevails that a large amount of Exchange borrowed on Stocks in October remains to be covered before the New Year, which, with the remittances of the New-Year Dividends on the Public Funds and other Stocks, may keep the rates up for several weeks to come. But as remarked yesterday the large export movement of Cotton from the Southern ports to England and the Continent must supply a large amount of Merchant Bills or the Bills of our Bankers here based upon their advances upon Cotton. This calculation is strengthened by the increased orders now daily felt by several of our large Banks for Greenbacks and other Currency, with some Gold Coin, to go South. These remittances are felt rather more sensibly upon the Money market this week than last, and the prevailing rate on the Street is full 7 ₱ cent. to-day with a pretty free demand from the Brokers. The employment for Money, however, is perhaps more active in some other departments of business than at the Stock Exchange, where the present volume of speculation is not large. But the Railway movement, nevertheless, feels the change of demand, and, with few exceptions, the market is weaker, while the Public Funds also exhibit a partially bearish feeling on the part of some of the Street speculators in this line, who at all times watch the course of Money closely. The Public Debt Statement shows no further supply of Gold-bearing Stocks on the market since the 1st of November, the difference in the grand total being only $258,150, and the Secretary has more recently expressed the belief that he will not feel called upon to make further issues of Gold-bearing Bonds during his administration. Although the prices of all classes of 5-20s are ¼@¼ ₱ cent. lower than yesterday, the business of the day was not important in amount, nor was the pressure to sell very marked. The transactions in the United States Currency 6 ₱ cents, (Pacific Road loan,) were again active at 99¼ ₱ cent. The State Bonds continue steady in the absence of a decided speculation either way. The Tennessees, which were somewhat depressed early in the week, attract a fair demand, and at pretty full rates for both the old and new Bonds.

The Railway market was generally weak throughout the day; the fluctuations in New-York Central were 125@123⅜@124¼ ₱ cent. The Western Roads were 1@1½ ₱ cent. lower than at the close of business on Wednesday, except Cleveland and Toledo, which was in demand in the Afternoon at 101¼@101½ ₱ cent. There was little or nothing done in Erie Common Stock. The lease, in perpetuity, of the Atlantic and Great Western Road by the Erie, was announced this morning by one of our neighbors, and the fact, we understand, to be confirmed to-day by Mr. McHENRY.

After the late Boards broke up, the following quotations were made, as compared with Wednesday night. Gold left off dull, Exchange firm. The Public Funds and most of the Railways dull:

	Wednesday.	Thursday.
United States 10-40s.....	105½	105⅛
United States 5-20s of 1862.....	111½	110⅝
United States 5-20s of 1867.....	110½	110½
American Gold Coin.....	136	135⅝
Bills on London, 60 days	109½	109⅛
New Bonds of Tennessee.....	68⅛	68½
Virginia Bonds, old.....	55⅝	55½
Missouri Bonds.....	89½	89⅛
North Carolina Bonds, old... ...	65½	65½
New-York Central.....	125⅛	124⅜
Erie Railway.....	38	38
Reading Railway.....	98	97⅛
Chicago and Rock Island.....	107½	106⅜
Northwest Common.....	76⅛	76⅛
Northwest Preferred.....	79½	78⅛
Michigan Southern.....	87	85⅛
Pittsburg and Ft. Wayne.....	110⅜	110⅜
Cleveland and Pittsburg.....	84⅜	84
Pacific Mail Company.....	115½	114⅛
St. Paul Preferred.....	84½	82⅜
St. Paul Common.....	65⅛	63⅛
Toledo and Wabash.....	56⅜	55⅛

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States at the close of business:

6 ₱ cents., reg. 1881.....	109⅞
6 ₱ cent. coup., 1881.....	114⅝
5-20 reg., 1862.....	106⅜
5-20 500 & 1,000, 1862..	110⅜
5-20 500 & 1,000, 1864..	107
5-20 reg., 1865.....	106¾
5-20 500 & 1,000, 1865..	106
5-20 coup. '65, n. is.....	110
5-20 coup., 1867.....	110¾
5-20 coup., 1868.....	110¾
5 ₱ cent. reg., 1871.....	113
5 ₱ cent. coup., 1871....	122
Rad. coup., 1871.....	122
5 ₱ ct. coup., 1874.....	117
10-40 reg.....	103¼
10-40 500 & 1,000.....	104⅜
6s Currency.....	95⅜

And the following for the State Bonds:

N. Y. Reg. B'y Loan.....	110
N. Y. Coup. B'y Loan.....	110
N. Y. 7 ₱ c. Canal, 1870..	101
N. Y. 6 ₱ c. Canal, 1872..	101¾
N. Y. 6 ₱ c. Canal, 1873..	101¾
N. Y. 6 ₱ c. Canal, 1874..	101¾
N. Y. 6 ₱ c. Canal, 1875..	101¾
N. Y. 6 ₱ c. Canal, 1877..	101¾
N. Y. 6 ₱ c. Canal, 1878..	101¾
N. Y. 6 ₱ c. Canal, 1874..	100
N. Y. 6 ₱ c. Canal, 1873.	98¾
Illinois 6s, coup., 1879..	101¾
Illinois 6s, coup., 1880..	101¾
Illinois 6s, c. '79 aft. 1865	101¾
Ill. 6s, coup. '79 aft. 1870..	101¾
Illinois coupon 6s, 1877..	101¾
Illinois coupon 6s, 1879..	101¾
Illinois War Loan.....	101¾
Indiana 5 ₱ c.....	95
Michigan 6 ₱ c., 1875..	100
Tenn. 6 ₱ c., ex c....	69¾
Tennessee 6 ₱ c. n. bds	68½
Virginia 6s, n. bds....	57
Georgia 6s.....	79
Georgia 7s, n. bds.....	93¾
North Carolina 6s.....	65¾
N. C. 6s, new bonds...	62¾
Missouri 6s.....	89¾
Louisiana 6s.....	69¾
Louisiana levee bds..	60
California 7s.....	102
Cal. 7s, large bonds...	102½
Connecticut 6s.....	104

And the following for the City Bank Stocks:

New-York.....	140
Merchants'.....	120
State of New-York....	109½
Commerce.....	124¾
Mechanics' B'k'g Ass..	116
Ocean.....	110
American Exchange..	113
Bank of the Republic.	120
Bank of N. America..	113
Hanover.....	115
Metropolitan.....	145
Continental.....	100
St. Nicholas.....	108
Marine.....	150
Imp'rs. & Traders'..	193
Park.....	153
Central National....	110
First National.....	211
Fourth National.....	104
Ninth National.....	112½

And the following for the Railway Mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1883.....	90¾
N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1887.....	91
N. Y. Cen. 6s, Ext....	86
N. Y. Cen. 6s, Sub....	87
N. Y. Cen. 7s, 1876....	103
Erie 1st M. ext.....	101
Erie 7s, 3d ind., 1883....	91½
Erie 7s, 4th ind., 1888....	88¾
Erie 7s, 5th ind., 1886..	85
Hud. R. 7s, 1st M., '60-'70.	103⅛
Hud. 7s, 2d M. S. F. '85.	104
Harlem 1st M.....	103
Mich. Cen. N. 1st M. 8s '62.	114⅝
Mich. S. 7 ₱ c. 2d M....	90¾
Mich. S. & N. I. S. F. 8s..	87
Pacific R. 7s guar by Mo	94
Ill. Cent. 7 ₱ ct. 1870..	114⅝
Alton & T. H. 1st M....	83½
Alton & T. H. 2d M. pf	54
Chi. & N. W. S. Fund..	90
Chic. & N. W. int. Bds..	80
Con. 7 ₱ cent 1st M. Bds.	92
Ham. & St. Jo. conv.....	99¾
Del. L. & W. 1st M.....	97½
Tol. & W. 1st M. Rt'd..	90¾
Tol. & W. 2d Mort....	82
Gt. Western 1st M. '68.	91¾
Gt. Western 1st M. '88.	97
Gal. & Chic. 2d M....	93
Chi. R. I. & Pac.....	86
Morris & Essex 1st M..	96
Morris & Essex 2d M..	93¾
N. Jersey Cen. 1st M..	103¾
Pitts., Ft. W. & Chi. 2d M.	97
Pitts., Ft. W. & Chi. 3d M.	93
Clev. & P. 1st M.....	98
Clev. & P. 4th M.....	80
Chi. & Alt. 1st M.....	101¾
Chi. & Alton int.....	90¾
Ohio & Miss. 1st M....	96
Ohio & Miss. con'd....	86½
Dub. & Sioux C. 1st M..	93½
Mil. & St. Paul 1st M. 8s.	104
Mil. & St. Paul 1st M. 7s-10s	96
Mil. & St. P. 1st M.....	92¾
Mil. & St. P. L. Gr. M....	87½
Chic. & Mil. 1st M.....	93¾
Chic. & G. East'n 1st 8s	73½
N. Y. & N. H. 6s.....	96

The day's business at the office of the United States Assistant Treasurer was as follows: Total receipts, $1,044,468 98; total payments, $1,063,936 70; balance, $90,079,851 50. The receipts include for Customs, $204,000; for Gold Notes, $315,000.

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

☞CARD FROM MR. JAMES FISK, JR.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 10, 1868.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Having been absent in Boston for three days, I find on my return an extraordinary card, published in the NEW-YORK TIMES of Dec. 7, and signed "C. Vanderbilt

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, FRIDAY, DEC. 11, 1868.

Amusements this Evening.

PIKE'S OPERA HOUSE.
23d-st., corner 8th-av.
LES BAVARDS, and BARBE-BLEUE, (second act.) Characters by Mlle. Tostee, Mlle. Irma, Mlle. De Rosa, M. Decre, M. Leduc, M. Aujac, M. Duchesne, M. Guidon and others.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
THE LANCASHIRE LASS. Characters by Messrs. J. W. Wallack, Chas. Fisher, Geo. Holland, A. W. Young, C. R. Rockwell, J. W. Leonard, Miss. Rose Eytinge, Mrs. Clara Jennings, Mrs. B. Brown and others.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
HUMPTY DUMPTY. Characters by Mr. Geo. L. Fox, Mr. F. Lacy, Mr. C. K. Fox, Mlle. Laurent, Mrs. C. Edmonds, Miss E. Harrison, Mr. F. Sinclair and others.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
AFTER DARK; OR, LONDON BY NIGHT. Characters by Miss Louisa Moore, Miss Edith Chaike, Messrs. Rankin, Vane, Ryan, Coleman and others.

FRENCH THEATRE.
14th-st., near 6th-av.
GENEVIEVE DE BRABANT. Characters by Mlle. Desclauzas, Mlle. Fonsanel, Mlle. Rose-Bell, Messrs. Gabel, Carrier, Beckers, Bourgoin and others.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
Broadway, near Broome-st.
THE EMERALD RING. Leading characters by Mr. and Mrs. B. Williams

NEW-YORK THEATRE.
Broadway, near 8th-st.
KING RENE'S DAUGHTER, &c. Leading character by Mrs. Scott-Siddons.

WOOD'S MUSEUM AND THEATRE.
Broadway, corner of 30th-st.
Afternoon—CINDERELLA. Evening—ZION, THE MAN AND THE WHEEL, &c. GRAND EXHIBITION OF CURIOSITIES. Open day and evening.

BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, near Canal-st.
DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE. By a powerful cast.

BRYANTS' MINSTREL HALL.
14th-st., near 3d-av.
ILL TRUE-BAD-DOER, (Burlesque,) VOCALISTS, HUMORISTS, &c.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS.
No. 585 Broadway.
BONE SQUASH DIABOLO, NEGRO COMICALITIES, &c.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.
14th-st., opposite Academy of Music.
EQUESTRIAN AND GYMNASTIC PERFORMANCES AND PANTOMIME.

STEINWAY HALL.
Nos. 71 and 73 East 14th-st.
LECTURE BY PROF. GUYOT. Subject—"The Barometer and its Uses."

COOPER INSTITUTE.
8th-st., between 3d and 4th avs
LECTURE BY JOHN B. GOUGH. Subject—"Eloquence."

NO. 839 BROADWAY.
NOONDAY LECTURES ON PHRENOLOGY, &c.

MINER & BARKER ART GALLERY,
No. 845 Broadway.
EXHIBITION OF T. VAN LERIUS' PAINTING, "ESMERALDA."

PUTNAM'S ART GALLERY,
No. 661 Broadway.
EXHIBITION OF BIERSTADT'S PAINTING, "VESUVIUS."

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DESIGN.
Corner 23d-st. and 4th-av.
SECOND WINTER EXHIBITION OF PICTURES.

FIFTH-AVENUE ART GALLERY.
5th-av., corner 14th-st.
EXHIBITION OF JEROME THOMPSON'S PAINTING, "HOME, SWEET HOME."

CLINTON HALL ART GALLERIES,
Astor-place, corner of 8th-st.
FREE EXHIBITION OF STATUARY AND PAINTINGS—Day and Evening.

Terms of the New-York Times.
MAIL SUBSCRIBERS.

The DAILY TIMES, per annum.....$10
The DAILY TIMES (Sunday Edition included).....$12
The SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES, one year.....$3
The SEMI-WEEKLY TIMES, two copies, one year....$5
The WEEKLY TIMES, one year.....$2
Five copies.....$8
Ten copies.....$15

These prices are invariable. We have no traveling agents. Remit in Checks or Post Office Money Orders if possible. Address
H. J. RAYMOND & CO.,
TIMES Office, New-York.

Notice.

We cannot notice anonymous communications. In all cases we require the writer's name and address, not for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

We cannot return rejected communications, nor preserve manuscripts, unless specially requested so to do.

To Advertisers.

Advertisers in the TIMES are requested to bring in their notices at as early an hour in the day as possible. If received after 8½ o'clock, it will be impossible to classify them under their proper heads.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

An armistice of two days has been agreed upon between the Republican insurgents at Cadiz and the Spanish authorities, to permit the burial of the dead and the removal from the city of all women and children. The insurgents have released 700 convicts from the galleys and prisons, and placed arms in their hands to fight against the Government troops. At the expiration of the armistice an assault is to be made upon the city by the army and navy combined.

A dispatch from Constantinople says that the Sultan of Turkey has sent an *ultimatum* to Greece, and demands an answer within five days. It is also stated that England and France sustain the Sultan in his demands upon the Grecian Government.

One of the missing boats of the steamship *Hibernia*, which was recently lost at sea, has arrived at Donegal, Ireland. Twenty-eight persons left the ship in her, but only three survived. The boat was capsized, and the twenty-five others were drowned. There are two other boats containing fifty-three persons not yet heard from.

Mount Etna is again in a state of eruption, and sends up clouds of sand, portions of which fall in the streets of Messina, distant fifty miles.

The new British Ministry had an interview with the Queen on Wednesday, and formally accepted their appointments. Several new appointments to office are announced. The new Parliament was opened last evening by Royal Commission, the usual speech of the Queen being omitted. Right Hon. JOHN EVELYN DENNISON was elected Speaker.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, on motion of Mr. ANTHONY, several select committees appointed at the last session were continued, among them the Committee which was intrusted with the investigation of the bribery and corruption charges made against certain Senators during the Impeachment trial. The various standing committees were then chosen as agreed upon in caucus. The list of bills on the table was then read and the bills referred to the several committees. The one passed by the House transferring the control of the Indian Bureau from the Department of the Interior to the War Department, gave rise to some discussion, after which it was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. An amendment to the Constitution to the effect that no person shall hereafter be deprived of his political rights on account of race or color, was submitted and referred to the Judiciary Committee. The conclusion of the President's Message was read, after which that document was laid on the table and ordered printed. Mr. EDMUNDS stated that in view of the President's extraordinary financial proposition, he would, on Tuesday next, call for the consideration of the resolution offered by him in November last, which declares that the faith of the United States is pledged to the payment of the national debt. Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN denounced the Message in unmeasured terms, and was loudly applauded. The Senate then adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

The Speaker of the House announced the changes in committees rendered necessary by the resignations of members who were serving on other committees. The Military Committee reported on several bills of minor importance, and they were passed. The same Committee reported a bill providing for a national system of military education, authorizing the appointment of army officers as instructors to one or more colleges in each State. Mr. GARFIELD desired to have the bill made a special order, but after considerable discussion it was laid on the table. At the expiration of the morning hour a number of bills on the Speaker's table were referred to committees. Mr. WASHBURNE offered a joint resolution providing for a recess of both Houses from Dec. 21 to Jan. 5. After the rejection of an amendment providing for a shorter recess, the resolution was adopted. A bill providing for the redemption of legal-tender notes was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. It provides for the exchange of notes at the Treasury at the rate of $135 for $100 in gold for one month, reducing the rate of exchange one dollar each month, until gold and notes are of the same value. The House went into Committee of the Whole, and was addressed at length by Mr. BLAINE on national topics. When the Committee rose a few bills were introduced and referred, after which the House adjourned until Monday next.

GENERAL.

Mr. DOUGLAS LOVE, foreman of the Detmold coal mine, on George's Creek, about eight miles from Frostburg, Md., was murdered at his house on Sunday evening. He was called to the door by two strangers, and as soon as he appeared was fired at from pistols in the hands of each. The ball from one entered the door, and that from the other penetrated his brain and killed him almost instantly. No clue to the murderers has been obtained, but it is thought that they were men who had recently been discharged from work by Mr. LOVE.

The Gettysburg Cemetery Association met in Washington on Wednesday, and elected D. MILLS, of Gettysburg, President; JOHN R. BARTOLD, of Rhode Island, Secretary, and J. R. RUSSELL, of Gettysburg, Treasurer. The cemetery is to be dedicated on July 1, 1869, and the Committee of Arrangements consists of D. WALLS, of Pennsylvania; R. H. MITRUT, of New-York; J. R. RUSSELL, of Pennsylvania; E. M. DUBOIS, of NEW-Jersey; W. Y. SELLACK, of Wisconsin, and B. DEFORD, of Maryland.

The house in which WARREN GEORGE was recently murdered, in East Orrington, Me., was burned to the ground on Monday evening by parties unknown. The examination of HOWARD A. CLEVELAND, the supposed murderer, was held in Bangor, on Tuesday. He was bound over for trial at the February Term of the Supreme Court for Penobscot County, and Mrs. BLAISDEL, his mother, was also held to answer at the same time in the sum of $1,000, which security was furnished.

In Polk County, Ind., an unknown disease has broken out among the cattle. About 150 have died during the past week. Some think the disease is caused by eating smutty corn.

A Dr. FENNIMORE was murdered by one of his step-sons, named ATCHISON, a few days ago, at his house in the village of Hickory, nine miles north of Washington, Penn. He had been working in the corn-field with his two step-sons during the forenoon, and for some real or fancied injury to a tub which they had with them, he threatened to punish the youngest boy, about 18 years of age. The elder brother interfered, and angry words passed between them. Afterward in the house the discussion was carried on, when the elder son declared that he would live no longer at home, and went up stairs to pack up and prepare to leave. On his way down stairs his step-father met him with an ax and struck at him twice. The boy then drew a revolver and shot him twice, from the effects of which he died yesterday evening. Before he died he requested that the boy should not be arrested. YOUNG ATCHISON is ready to give himself up at any time. At last accounts he had not been arrested.

Navigation on Lake Erie for the season is practically at an end, and the Welland Canal is closed with ice.

The family of Mr. WILLIAM NEFF, who reside near St. Bernard, six miles from Cincinnati, were poisoned on Tuesday by eating tenderloins for breakfast. The family physician was called in, and pronounced them poisoned, but by what particular species of poison he could not determine. All of them were very sick for a few days, but are now improving, and will doubtless recover entirely.

The safe in the office of SMITH'S mills, at Lockport, five miles north of Dayton, Ohio, was broken open on Tuesday night, and money and notes to the value of $5,000 were stolen. The robbers tied and gagged the millers before beginning operations on the safe. Two reputed Cincinnati thieves have been arrested on suspicion of having had a hand in the robbery, and are now in prison at Dayton.

At the monthly meeting of the Free Trade League, held last evening at Dodworth's Studio Buildings, corner of Fifth-avenue and Twenty-sixth-street, over which the Vice-President of the League, Mr. DAVID DUDLEY BRYANT, presided, an interesting lecture was delivered to a large auditory by Rev. HENRY BLANCHARD, on "Free Trade."

The Erie Railroad war was up again before the Supreme Court yesterday, Judge CARDOZO presiding, on a reargument of the motion heard before Judge SUTHERLAND, on which he granted an order appointing Ex-Judge DAVIES receiver. A large number of affidavits were read, being substantially the same as those read before Judge SUTHERLAND and previously published, and the case was adjourned to Saturday morning, when Mr. STOUGHTON will address the Court in support of the motion to vacate the order appointing Judge DAVIES receiver.

Five decrees of divorce were granted in the Courts of this City yesterday, all on the ground of adultery.

The block of buildings known as the Lafarge property, on Broadway, opposite Bond-street, was sold yesterday at auction to several parties for the aggregate sum of $871,000.

Cotton was in fair demand yesterday at firm prices. Breadstuffs attracted more attention, particularly Flour, which advanced 5c.@15c. ₱ bbl. Wheat was 1c.@3c. higher. Provisions and Groceries were moderately inquired for. The freight market was rather brisker.

The number of animals received at the New-York markets for the weekly supply, consists of 5,984 beef cattle, 80 milch cows, 1,019 veal calves, 42,490 sheep, and 39,400 swine. The beef cattle market is more active than usual. Cold weather always favors those who have prime beeves to sell. Most of the sales are made at about 14c.@15c. ₱ lb., net weight. Prime bullock sell for 15c.@16c. ₱ lb. A few choice steers brought more than 16c. ₱ lb. The prices for beef have improved from 1c.@2c. ₱ lb. during the week. Trade in good sheep is improving. Good mutton sheep sell for 4c.@5c. ₱ lb., live weight. Small droves of prime sheep sell for 5½c.@6c. ₱ lb. The swine market is active. Most of the sales are made at about 9c.@9¼c. ₱ lb., live weight, when hogs are sold alive, but most of the receipts are slaughtered before they are sold. Dressed hogs are selling for about 10¾c.@11c. ₱ lb.

Party Fealty and the Public Service.

The Providence *Journal*, in a very temperate article, says there are but two persons in the country who have been familiar with the *Alabama* controversy from its origin,—and that these two are Mr. SEWARD and Mr. C. F. ADAMS. It adds:

"They know as no others can know the nature of the questions at issue, and either of them would no doubt be found competent to bring these questions to a successful adjustment. Both these statesmen, however, unfortunately occupy such a position as will probably preclude them from all participation in the coming Administration."

The trouble is, says the *Journal*, they are "out of sympathy with the Republican Party," and have "become Johnsonized on one of the fundamental principles of national policy." Neither of them, therefore, can be thought of in connection with any service under the new Administration.

It strikes us this puts the matter on very narrow and wholly untenable ground. If the country cannot have the benefit of the ability, experience and special knowledge of its ablest men, because on some one question, no matter what, they have not always sympathized with all the measures of the dominant party, then the country, we think, is in a bad plight. We concede that an opponent of the dominant party ought not to expect office at his hands. Still less should one who has left the party, because he was not able to approve its policy, and joined the opposition, be asked, or expect, to share the duty and responsibility of carrying that policy into effect. The *Tribune's* argument, the other day, against Senator DOOLITTLE'S going into Gen. GRANT'S Cabinet, seemed to us conclusive:

"If he had merely differed with the Republican Party on any one question, or on any dozen questions, there would have been no criticism upon his politics, although many of us might have censured his judgment. There are men in the Republican Party who have not agreed with the majority, but that difference has not matured into rebellion against the authority of the party and attempts to encompass its overthrow."

Mr. ADAMS, it is true, was never a very thorough-going party man, though he has always acted with the party since it was formed, and acted upon its principles long before. It has come to be generally supposed,—we know not on what authority,—that his faith in a reconstruction based on universal negro suffrage was not very strong, and that he doubted the wisdom of some of the action of Congress in this regard. But we never knew of his being active even in support of his own opinions on this subject,—still less in opposing the action of Congress. Being out of the country during the whole contest, he had no occasion or opportunity to take part in it. But he had a right as a citizen, without just offence to any party or any man, to his own opinions and views upon that subject or any other. He acted with the Republican Party during the Presidential canvass, and voted for Gen. GRANT, its candidate, though we think it not impossible that he may have voted for his own son, as a candidate for Governor of Massachusetts. What there is, in his career as a public man, or in his political action, to throw him out of sympathy with the Republican Party, or which ought to render it impossible for the Government to avail itself of his great ability and experience in its service, we find it difficult to understand.

We presume Mr. ADAMS does not desire a place in the Cabinet, or any other position under Government, any more than Mr. SEWARD. His habits and tastes lead him to shun, rather than seek, public office. But this is not the question, and has nothing to do with it. Nor do we say anything as to whether it be desirable or not to have Mr. ADAMS in the Cabinet. That is a question to be settled by Gen. GRANT, and there is no reason to doubt that he will settle it wisely and well. But if Mr. ADAMS is, as the Providence *Journal* seems to think, the man best qualified for the office of Secretary of State,—if he can render the Government and the country better service there than any other man, then it seems to us intolerable that the Government should not be at liberty to avail itself of his services, because he differs from the Republican Party on any measure of its policy. Party ostracism carried to this extreme becomes a damaging and disastrous tyranny,—as injurious to the party itself as to the country whose interests are under its care.

Preparing for Resumption.

The commercial intelligence of the country has been well represented in the deliberations of the National Board of Trade, for some days in session at Cincinnati. Party politics have had no influence in its proceedings. The delegates present have represented the varied business interests of all sections, and the subjects that have engaged their attention have been considered solely from the practical point of view, and with strict reference to their bearing upon legitimate enterprise and prosperity. The resumption of specie payments has been discussed at great length, and the relative merits and feasibility of the plans most generally advocated have been carefully balanced. The conclusions eventually arrived at, therefore, represent the matured judgment of a body whose experience predisposes it to reject the speculative and to accept only that which seems most likely to divest an unpleasant process of unnecessary embarrassments.

The Board has decided, by a three-fourths vote, that it is expedient for Congress to determine the time at which resumption shall take place. *The* time, however, is not indicated in the resolution adopted. By a similar vote the action of Congress is invoked to compel the National Banks to accumulate the gold they may hereafter receive in the shape of interest on bonds deposited with the Government; and a proposal to impose the same policy of accumulation on the Treasury, is sustained by a majority of the delegates. Emphatic approval is also given to the principle of a measure legalizing gold contracts; while an opinion is expressed adverse to the redemption of bonds until after specie payments shall have been restored.

Except upon a single point—that relating to the fixing of a time for resumption—it will be seen that the majority of the Board hold opinions indentical with those of the TIMES. The hoarding of gold is regarded as an essential preliminary to resumption, and the undesirableness of allowing the banks to sell their gold is clearly recognized. Business men averse to hasty action and to a discrimination for which there is not even a plausible reason, are not willing to encounter the responsibilities of resumption unless the National Banks fully share the preparedness of the Treasury. Their demand for permission to buy and sell for gold, at pleasure, is equally just, and we trust will not long remain unsatisfied.

The Indian Bureau.

We hope the Senate will not reject the bill already passed by the House, transferring the Indian Bureau to the War Department. The testimony of all disinterested parties is in favor of the bill, on grounds of economy and efficiency as well as out of regard for the real welfare of the Indians themselves. Military men, who have had personal experience among the Indians, unite in saying that all our Indian wars grow out of acts of injustice perpetrated by Indian agents and others engaged in schemes of speculation, upon the Indian tribes. To such an extent have these acts been carried, and so deeply have the Indians been made to suffer from them, that they now put no faith whatever in the word of the whites who come among them with schemes of profit or of trade, or of the agents who come to distribute the bounties of the Government. Their distrust of this whole class of men is deep and settled, and is fully justified by the perfidy and cruelty which they have suffered at their hands.

The Indians have no such feeling toward the army officers who are stationed among them, for they have never suffered injustice or wrong at their hands. The Indian, moreover, is a man of brute force, and he believes in force and in nothing else. He knows nothing of the maxims of trade or of the arts by which alone he can protect himself against the schemes of speculators, whose only object is their own profit and who care nothing, comparatively, for the comfort of the Indians or the good faith of the Government. Army officers have infinitely more influence over the Indians, and can, by their mere presence and influence, do infinitely more toward keeping them peaceful and quiet, than any other class of men we can send among them.

The main object of the pending bill is to make the army officers who are stationed among the Indians perform the duties and do the business now assigned by law to Indian agents and the large mass of speculators and adventurers who always follow in their train. Nearly the whole expense of this immense organization will thus be saved; while the service will be far more efficiently done than it is now, and the country will be spared the disgrace, and the Indians the suffering, of the oppression and injustice now practiced upon them.

The tribe of Indian agents and speculators will, of course, do everything in their power to hold the ground which the present system gives them, and to defeat the bill which proposes to wrest it from their hands. We hope the Senate will resist their efforts and pass the bill in spite of them. In its operation, we are sure, it will be found eminently conducive to the public good in every way.

The President and the Debt.

The President, in his Message, says that "various plans have been proposed for the payment of the public debt." He might have added that quite as many have been proposed for *not* paying it. But the one which he recommends is at once the most barefaced, shameless and disgraceful. Here it is:

"It may be assumed that the holders of our securities have already received upon their bonds a larger amount than their original investment, measured by a gold standard. Upon this statement of facts it would seem but just and equitable that *the six per cent. interest now paid by the Government should be applied to the reduction of the principal in semi-annual installments, which in sixteen years and eight months would liquidate the entire national debt.* Six per cent. in gold would at present rates be equal to nine per cent. in currency, and equivalent to the payment of the debt one and a half time in a fraction less than seventeen years. This, in connection with all the other advantages derived from their investment, *would afford to the public creditors a fair and liberal compensation for the use of their capital, and with this they should be satisfied.*"

This is susceptible of but one construction. The interest on the bonds which represent the national debt, is paid to the holders,—those who have loaned their money to the Government, and who have a right to *annual interest* for its use and repayment of the *principal* when it becomes due. Mr. JOHNSON proposes that payment of the interest shall be stopped, and that the amount due as interest shall be paid only on the principal,—and shall thus go toward extinguishing the debt! *In this way* he says the debt can be paid in sixteen years and eight months. What a pity it is that the Government did not agree to pay *ten* or *twenty* per cent. interest for the use of the money, for in that case, by refusing to pay any interest at all, we could have got rid of the debt a great deal sooner. Ten per cent. would have paid the debt in *ten* years and twenty per cent. would have paid it in *five*. Indeed, if we had promised to pay 100 per cent., and then refused, we should not have any debt at all!

COLERIDGE says "a knave is only a roundabout fool." Mr. JOHNSON illustrates the doctrine. What does he think he gains by his talk about using the interest to pay the principal? Why does he not propose, openly and without circumlocution, to repudiate the debt wholly and completely? Applying the interest to reduce the principal, is simply *confiscating* the interest and using the amount of which the creditor is thus robbed toward paying the debt. The interest is as much due the creditor as the principal; and to talk about withholding the one, to pay the other, is to talk nonsense, and very dishonest nonsense at that.

It is said that Mr. JOHNSON intends to go into politics, and to run for Governor of Tennessee, after he ceases to be President. It is easy to see what ground he will take, and by what appeals he will try to hold it. He will make it his special aim to build up, first in Tennessee, and then throughout the South and the Union, a *party of repudiation:* and he will resort to the lowest arts of the lowest demagogue to ensure success. So bad a cause could not be in better hands. The only danger there has ever been that repudiation might succeed has been that it might be covered up, and made plausible by some indirection, and be urged by men of ability, standing and influence. In Mr. JOHNSON'S hands that danger vanishes. He will make the scheme so barefaced that nobody can mistake it,—and so infamous that nobody will dare to support it. All the amateurs who have thus far dabbled in the dishonor will quit the field when Mr. JOHNSON enters it. We expect to see Gen. BUTLER speedily bring forward a bill in Congress to pay the principal of the bonds in gold, and the interest fully and promptly as it may fall due. He cannot afford to allow Mr. JOHNSON to come to his aid, in the scheme he has supported of semi-repudiation.

We are glad President JOHNSON has made a "clean breast" of it, and put forth clearly and distinctly his views and policy in regard to the national debt. We have tried very hard to hold our original faith in his personal honesty, and to attribute his disastrous action to errors of judgment and infirmities of temper. The struggle has often been difficult, and we can maintain it no longer. We give it up. It is impossible to reconcile his language in regard to our national debt with integrity of purpose, or any sincere regard for the honor and welfare of the nation. We only regret that foreigners should be able to cite a President's Message in seeming proof of our national dishonor and disgrace.

Congress and the Message.

We wish Congress would bear in mind that it takes *two* to quarrel. The President's Message is a document as well calculated to provoke a saint as could well be concocted. But Congressmen would have proved themselves to be saints more effectually if they had refused to be provoked. That the Message of the President of the United States, sent in to Congress in pursuance of his constitutional duty, should be read to that body is a matter of course. That Congress should listen to it would seem be equally a matter of course. That body is not responsible for its character. It cannot be hurt by its temper or tone. Congress is not, or ought not to be, so sensitive as to make its reading painful; or if it is, the courage of Congress ought to be equal to the emergency. If an Indian chief can be riddled to pieces with arrows without flinching—if a Christian martyr can sing psalms while being burned at the stake—and if a denizen of Delaware or Sing Sing can endure the tortures of the whipping-post without becoming insane, Congress ought to be able to submit to the reading of the President's Message without unseemly contortions or other indications either of rage or pain. The Message certainly is scurrilous, but Congress did not write it. It was designed to be offensive and insulting, but it is not necessary for Congress to regard and resent an insult, as a personal wrong. Congress has a dignity, both official and personal, that relieves it from that necessity. We concede that Congress is not *obliged* to listen to an offensive document:—if it were, there would be no merit in doing it. But we think it would have been wiser, more becoming and more dignified to have done so,—and then to have expressed, just as freely and as formally as it should see fit, its opinion of its character. The resentment actually shown looks too much like petulance,—just and natural, perhaps, but unseemly. It looks like the act of a man stung by a wasp,—or a child teased into wrath by a malicious comrade.

M. Baudin.

We recently referred to the characteristic behavior of the Paris students, who, with their general love of mischief, and their especial delight in anything calculated to annoy constituted authorities, broke lamps and shouted "*vive Baudin*" throughout the *Quartier Latin*. But it becomes more and more manifest every day that this Baudin affair is by far the most serious trouble that NAPOLEON has had to encounter for a long time, and that the Government is so deeply impressed with the urgency of the situation that all the means of repression at its command have been employed in order to crush all expression of popular feeling on the subject. The Press law has been enforced with extraordinary stringency against all the journals in any way identified with the subscription to the Baudin monument. In addition to the batch of prosecutions and sentences recently reported, we now hear that not only has the editor of the *Revue Politique* been fined one thousand francs for encouraging subscriptions for the Baudin monument, and publishing subscription lists, but a penalty of five hundred francs has actually been inflicted upon the printer of the journal. If a movement so widespread and spontaneous as that in honor of BAUDIN can possibly be checked by measures of the kind, NAPOLEON is determined to do it, cost what it may. The repressive system has never yet been stretched so far since the establishment of the Empire as it has been during the last few weeks.

M. BAUDIN dead is certainly an infinitely greater political force than M. BAUDIN living was. Seventeen years ago, when LOUIS NAPOLEON dissolved the Assembly, reëstablished the universal suffrage which, as he had taken good care, could only operate in one way, and took what one of his subordinates adroitly termed "a courageous initiative," over two hundred members of the Legislative Assembly met in order to denounce the conduct of the President, declared his conduct illegal, and formally decreed his expulsion from the office of President of the Republic, in accordance with an article of the written Republican Constitution, specially providing for similar cases. Their deliberations were conducted in due form, and they had proceeded to name a commander of the troops in Paris, when the room in which they were assembled was cleared by soldiers, and the *coup d'état* was virtually effected. Subsequently, a handful of representatives, hoping at the last moment to rally the people against NAPOLEON, took possession of a barricade which had been erected in the Rue St. Marguerite in the Faubourg St. Antoine, and one of them—one BAUDIN—read to the assembled crowd certain passages from the Republican Constitution which NAPOLEON had sworn to defend. Troops came up, and as BAUDIN refused to desist, he was shot down, and the assemblage dispersed by force. He was buried, no one knew where, and his very name forgotten. A good many people were shot, and disappeared mysteriously, that first week in December, 1851, and nobody troubled themselves much about the unlucky representative who took it into his head to read the Constitution at such an ill-chosen moment, and in so exposed a situation.

The other day, however, BAUDIN'S grave was discovered, and after seventeen years NAPOLEON suddenly found himself confronted by the spectres of 1851. The populace rushed to place *immortelles* on the grave, and the Liberal journals vied with each other in forwarding a subscription for the erection of a monument to the martyr of the barricades, and stern measures of repression have only served to stimulate the enthusiasm with which his memory has been honored.

As we have said, the affair is serious in the last degree, and the fact that the recent rumors of disturbances in Paris obtained the credence that they did, both here and in London, shows the general appreciation of the gravity of the situation. Every wreath thrown on BAUDIN'S grave, every subscription to his monument, every line in the journals written in his honor, is a most emphatic declaration of hostility toward the Napoleonic *régime*. BAUDIN was a representative of the people, he stood by the Constitution to which NAPOLEON was pledged by his oath, and he was shot for doing so. The principle which his name represents is the one NAPOLEON must dread above all others, and which may now, at any moment, convulse all France. As a simple deputy, protesting against what the Assembly to which he belonged regarded as a flagrant usurpation, he was disposed of by a single musket shot. But now, all the power of the Empire does not suffice to crush the influence which his memory now exerts over the minds of the French people.

Politics of the East.

The Eastern question, from present appearances, seems tending rapidly to a practical solution. Turkey withdraws her Minister from Athens, because the recruiting for Crete goes on vigorously without being checked by the Government. This fact is a sufficient reply to the recent letters from Constantinople, one of which was reprinted in our columns, declaring that the heroic Cretans had surrendered, and that the Government and people of Greece had no sympathy with the insular revolution. It remains to be seen if jealousy of Russia will so far influence the Great Powers as to prevent their putting a stop to the barbarian warfare which for two years has desolated Candia: for, be it remembered, such a war, enlarged in its proportions and waged against Greece, is a war of heathens against Christians—of despots against patriots, or polygamists against the family! When it is remembered that a word from one of the Great Powers, with the tacit consent of the others, would cause the infidel atrocities in Crete to cease, and that such an interference is demanded by humanity—to say nothing of Christian civilization—the evasion of so plain and pressing a duty by the nations of the earth, will be as degrading as it is inexcusable. A private letter from a reliable source and an intelligent observer near the scene, dated Nov. 13, says, "The existence of the Cretan insurrection to the Spring is, I learn, assured beyond all doubt. There has been some hard fighting in Crete lately, in which the insurgents have gained the upper hand. Large reinforcements are going over to Crete from Greece with cannon to batter down the blockhouses, and they will carry artillery for this purpose." By a significant coincidence the same day which brings us the news of a diplomatic rupture between Greece and Turkey, advises us of the vote of thanks passed by the Greek Chambers to the people of the United States, for their material aid and active sympathy in the struggle; and also announces that the news of GRANT'S election was received at Athens with enthusiasm, and the American Minister congratulated thereon by the whole Diplomatic Corps. What the people of this country have done for the Cretans has been done not as political but as Christian benefactors. They have sent food, clothing, and money to the Cretan exiles at Athens—chiefly old men, wounded soldiers, women, and children. Of the wisdom, justice, and duty of this ministration on the part of a prosperous people to an unfortunate suffering one, there can be no doubt. We are pleased to see these benign efforts are to be renewed. A preliminary meeting has already been held in this City, at which several leading clergymen of different denominations and other eminent citizens were present. An earnest and intelligent discussion of the great exigency of the struggle now imminent resulted in arrangements for such an appeal to the benevolent public of our community as can scarcely fail to meet with a satisfactory response.

MINOR TOPICS.

The threats of war in Europe have at last become serious. We have to-day a Constantinople dispatch announcing that the Sultan has sent his *ultimatum* to the Greek Government, demanding an answer in five days. The dispatch says that France and England sustain Turkey, and, of course, Greece will be openly or secretly sustained by the Russian Government. In this lies the danger to the peace of Europe. The ground of quarrel is the Cretan question, which has been regarded with apprehension for the last two years as a cause of the outbreak of general hostilities. Greece persists in encouraging the Cretans in their struggle against Turkey. The Turkish Government has protested again and again, but Greece has acted in total disregard of these protests. The Russian Czar has repeatedly and openly manifested his sympathy with the Cretans and his approval of the course of the Greek Government, and the Greeks have acted as though they were quite conscious of his support. It is to be hoped, however, that the attitude of France and England will be sufficient for the maintenance of the peace.

The monthly Treasury exhibit, which is published this morning, shows an *increase* in the currency balance of nearly $8,000,000, and a *decrease* in the coin reserve of $15,000,000. It thus appears that the Treasury is now well supplied with currency for current expenditures. The decrease of the coin reserve is mainly owing to the fact that the November interest is charged to this account.

If we can do so without being deemed impertinent, we beg leave to suggest to the *Tribune* that the trial of the indicted "whisky thieves," which it has been so very savage on the District-Attorney for not bringing on, is now going on in the United States Court, and is highly interesting. The law reporters of the *Tribune* evidently are not aware of the fact; at all events, its columns do not show it.

We are sorry to hear of the Spanish Republicans taking to arms. We fear it foreshadows a state of things that will imperil all the liberties that have already been gained. We do not think the Provisional Government have acted wisely in postponing the elections, and in delaying for so long a time the establishment of the new form of permanent government. They have given opportunity for faction, for the intrigues of ambitious leaders, for the maturing of the plans of the reactionists. The next two months will be a perilous time for the liberties of revolutionized Spain.

Mr. JOHNSON'S Message does not please the *Tribune*, as it does not please, doubtless, most other papers and people; but in the *Tribune* it excites a very peculiar and characteristic itching. That paper "really *longs* for one good, honest, unqualified lie" in the Message, "which might be knocked in the head without hurting anything else." Everybody knows what an "unqualified" lie is, but only the *Tribune's* ethics embrace lies "good" and "honest," and desirable, therefore, to find, for purposes of contradiction, in a Message of the President of the United States.

We notice that the papers have found a deal of fault with the managers of the Cooper Institute for closing their doors, on the occasion of Dr. BOYNTON'S first lecture, precisely at 8 o'clock—the minute of the opening of the lecture. We say, however, that the managers did perfectly right; and we also say that if the same rule of closing the doors were more generally enforced at places of entertainment, it would add greatly to the comfort of the audience. A great many people have fallen into the habit of going to public lectures and exhibitions five minutes late, ten minutes late, fifteen minutes late, or half an hour late. About the time the late comers have all got in, the impatient or sleepy listeners begin to go out; and thus there is often confusion and disturbance from beginning to end. It would be just as easy for people to get there in time; and, though we do not approve of absolutely and in all cases preventing egress or ingress after proceedings have commenced, yet we are pleased to see something done to maintain order and quiet among audiences. We must, therefore, entirely approve of the conduct of the managers of the Cooper Institute on the occasion in question.

What becomes of all the people who commit murder and are discharged on the ground of "insanity?" Are they shut up in insane asylums, like other madmen? Or does the fact that they have *succeeded* in killing, while others may only have attempted it, give them warrant to go at large? One might reasonably suspect that, if a man be crazy enough to kill once, he is crazy enough to kill several times, and therefore that the safety of the community demands his restraint. The gallows or the strait-jacket should seem to be the proper dilemma, and the maniac's escape from the one alternative ought, for a time, at least, to make sure the other.

The Washington correspondent of the Boston *Post* (who knows so much) thinks Vice-Admiral PORTER will not be made Secretary of the Navy, because "a prominent Radical Senator says that Gen. GRANT is opposed to placing naval or military officers in civil positions." The argument does not strike us as being quite perfect. Supposing that the "Radical" has reported Gen. GRANT aright, that by no means decides the case of Vice-Admiral PORTER. The general theory against "placing naval or military officers in civil positions" is doubtless sound; but a very commendable *exception* to the rule was made in Gen. GRANT'S own case. Other exceptions are therefore quite conceivable.

We have received from New-Orleans a specimen of the new textile plant called *Ramie*, which Mr. BRUCKNER and others are trying to introduce for Southern cultivation. It is a stout, soft, silky fibre, white and long. It can be planted at any season, can be harvested at least three times a year, requires little or no tillage, produces enormous crops, and must be exceedingly profitable, though it it can be sold very cheap. It is a native of the island of Java, and is eminently adapted to the soil and climate of the Cotton States. It has many advantages over cotton, and, if half that is claimed for it be true, it will unquestionably soon become one of our great American staples.

A Convention is in session at Macon, Ga., composed of representatives of the agricultural, manufacturing, mining and other industrial pursuits, for the purpose of advancing and developing the practical interests of the State, and devising a plan to promote immigration from the Northern States and Europe. All that the Georgians require to secure an addition of a hundred millions to their capital and fifty thousand to their population, during the coming year, is to preserve public order, and maintain the safety of life, liberty and property.

President JOHNSON, it seems, doesn't trouble himself about the refusal of the House to print the ordinary number of copies of his Message. He can console himself with the thought that more than two million copies of it have already been printed by the newspapers of the country.

Texas has always been a land of crime and bloodshed. With a climate and a store of natural wealth surpassed by no single State of the civilized world, it has been proverbial for social outrage, personal rowdyism, and murderous brutality, ever since it became known by name to our people. The report of its present condition by Gen. REYNOLDS shows that it is ruled by the revolver and the rifle, although nominally under civil law; its governing officials are, in general, ruffians clad in civil authority. It is hard to know whether the best interests of humanity demand that the Federal Government shall impose rigid military rule upon that community, compelling them to keep the peace, or whether it were better to withdraw all outside influence, and let them kill each other off as fast as possible on the Kilkenny plan.

The Disraeli Ministry have taken great credit to themselves for what they have done in the way of establishing amicable relations with the American Government. We expect at least as much from the Gladstone Ministry, and we might expect more, considering their Liberalism. Our demands, however, are so moderate, and so unquestionably just that no Ministry need to be troubled about the "concessions" that are necessary. In any event, it will be this country that will make concessions in regard to the *Alabama* claims. Were England to offer us a hundred millions of pounds, it would not begin to pay us for the losses we suffered through her agency during the war.

A gentleman appeared at a club the other evening with a bruised nose, and, being asked how he received the wound, owned that it was in tumbling off a two-wheeled velocipede, while learning to make it go. We plainly see that the reporters will soon have a new harvest of casualties and City items—velocipede accidents. There will be solitary tumbles, and frightful collisions; there will be broken heads and bruised limbs, and smashed spokes. Once make the velocipede fashionable, and a scar obtained in its honorable service will be rather the thing to have and show.

The British Parliament assembled yesterday and proceeded to reëlect the late Spea

TELEGRAMS.

An Armistice with the Insurgents of Cadiz Agreed Upon.

Two Days Allowed to Bury the Dead and Remove Noncombatants.

The City then to be Attacked by the Army and Navy.

Meeting Last Night of the New British Parliament.

SPAIN.

An Armistice of Two Days Agreed upon with the Cadiz Insurgents.

MADRID, Thursday, Dec. 10.

An armistice of two days has been agreed to with the insurgents in Cadiz for the burial of the dead, and to allow women and children to leave the city. At its conclusion a combined attack will be made by the troops and fleet upon that quarter of the city which is occupied by the rebels. The latter have set free and armed seven hundred convicts from the prisons and galleys.

It is estimated that the rebels in Cadiz number three thousand fighting men.

MADRID, Thursday, Dec 10—Evening.

The insurgents in Cadiz have demanded terms of capitulation, which, it is understood, the Government is disposed to grant.

FRANCE.

The New Spanish Government to be Recognized by the Emperor.

PARIS, Thursday, Dec. 10.

It is reported that the Emperor, on his return from Compiègne to Paris, will accord an audience to Señor OLOZAGA, and will formally recognize him as the accredited Ambassador of Spain to France.

The *Patrie* thinks that the Message of President JOHNSON, in view of the approaching close of his administration, is unimportant; and the only point calling for attention is the recommendation respecting direct elections.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Opening of the New Parliament—The Queen's Speech Omitted—Government Appointments.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 10—Evening.

The new Parliament of the United Kingdom was opened this afternoon by Royal Commission. The usual speech from the Throne was omitted. The House of Commons reélected Right Hon. JOHN EVELYN DENISON Speaker.

The members of the new Ministry had an audience with the Queen yesterday, and formally accepted their appointments.

The following appointments in the new Government are officially announced:

WILLIAM E. FORSTER, Vice-President of the Board of Education.

JAMES STANFIELD, Jr., ACTON S. AYRTON and GEORGE GRENFELL GLYN, Junior Lords of the Treasury.

Mr. E. GRANT DUFF, Under Secretary for India.

Right Hon. WILLIAM MONSELL, Under Secretary for the Colonial Department.

EDWARD H. K. HUGESSEN, Under Secretary for the Home Department.

JOHN ARTHUR OTWAY, Under Secretary for the Foreign Department.

The London *Times* this morning has a long editorial on the Message of President JOHNSON, Alluding to the *Alabama* negotiations, it says the English Government has shown every desire to make an arrangement, and it is difficult to believe that the President's Cabinet, or a hostile majority in Congress, will throw over a settlement arrived at after a long and laborious negotiation.

TURKEY.

The Sultan's Ultimatum to Greece—A Speedy Answer Demanded.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 10.

A Constantinople dispatch, just received, says that the Sultan has sent his *ultimatum* to the Grecian Government at Athens, and requiring an answer in five days. The Governments of France and England sustain the demand.

ITALY.

Mount Etna Again in Eruption.

FLORENCE, Thursday, Dec. 10.

Dispatches from Messina announce that the eruption of Mount Etna, which subsided a few days since, has again broken out with increased violence. Sand from the crater fell in clouds in the streets of Messina, distant fifty miles in a direct line from the volcano.

HUNGARY.

Speech of the Emperor Francis Joseph Closing the Hungarian Diet.

PESTH, Thursday, Dec. 10.

The session of the Hungarian Diet was closed with a speech from the Throne. The Emperor FRANCIS JOSEPH, speaking as King of Hungary, eulogized the labors of the Parliament as tending to establish harmony in all parts of the Monarchy. The Army bill, he declared, was a pledge for the integrity of the Kingdom, and for the continuance of peace. He concluded with the hope that the most cordial feeling with Prussia would be maintained.

THE HIBERNIA.

One of the Missing Boats Heard From—Twenty-five of the Passengers Lost.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 10.

A telegram has just been received here announcing the arrival off Donegal, Ireland, of one of the missing boats from the lost steamer *Hibernia*. This boat contained the second officer of the *Hibernia* and two other persons. Twenty-eight, all told, embarked, but twenty-five were drowned by the capsizing of the boat.

A Suit Against Government Officers in St. Louis Dismissed—Court Decisions.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Thursday, Dec. 10.

CHARLES D. COLEMAN, Provost Marshal, having charge of the draft in this district, was arrested for embezzling the money of substitutes, tried by a Military Commission, convicted and sent to the Penitentiary. After serving some time he was taken before Judge TREAT, of the United States District Court, on a writ of *habeas corpus*, and discharged on the ground of informality in the proceedings against him. Subsequently he brought suit against Gen. BONNEVILLE, Col. BAKER, Major EATON, Secretary of War, and others, for false imprisonment, claiming $250,000 damages. To-day he had the case dismissed at his own cost.

The Criminal Court rendered a decision to-day which will open the doors of the City Workhouse and release all the vagrants confined.

Two or three cases in the United States District Court were decided against GEO. DOUSMAN, Jr., a tobacconist, for assessments, aggregating about $18,000 in 1864.

The mercury is at zero. The river is full of heavy ice, and navigation may be considered closed.

The new Skating Rink was opened to-night.

The Late Disaster on the Ohio—The Unrecognized Victims.

CINCINNATI, Thursday, Dec. 10.

The remains of the victims of the recent steamboat disaster, not recognized by friends, are being brought here for interment. Among the bodies recovered is that of the late Mr. FARNSTOCK, of Philadelphia; also, of an Italian named DOMINIC, who had a large amount of gold on his person. The body of Mrs. PEARCE, of Louisville, was found in good condition. JOHN MELENCRAFT, of Louisville, who was supposed to have been lost, has turned up all right. Mrs. ELIZA HOUSE and son, of Birmingham, Penn., are among the lost. The steamer *Graham* is working at the wrecks and has thirty men with nets engaged in the recovery of bodies.

THE DOMINION OF CANADA.

Opening of the Eastern Railway Extension—Whalen Respited—The Nova Scotia Troubles.

ST. JOHNS, N. B., Thursday, Dec. 10.

The opening of the Eastern Railway Extension was inaugurated yesterday. Nearly five thousand passengers were carried over the line. Regular trains commenced running to-day in connection with the European and North American Railway.

The schooner *Elena*, from Calbarian to this port, was wrecked during the gale last night outside the harbor.

To-day is the coldest day of the season.

OTTAWA, Thursday, Dec. 10.

WHALEN has been respited to the 29th inst.

The thermometer indicated 1° below zero this morning.

HALIFAX, Thursday, Dec. 10.

It is rumored in the "Repeal Circles" that Mr. BOAK's communication to Mr. HOWE, in behalf of the Dominion Government, is an offer to increase the subsidy to Nova Scotia 50 cents, giving $1 30 instead of 80 cents. Should this prove correct, Nova Scotia will be allowed $165,000 more for local purposes.

Judge MARSHALL is out in another long letter on Mr. HOWE's course.

The Welland Canal Closed.

ST. CATHERINES, Ontario, Thursday, Dec. 10.

The Welland Canal is closed with ice. The last boat of the season passed through yesterday.

Particulars of the Murder of an Indian Chief in Iowa.

CHICAGO, Thursday, Dec. 10.

The following are the facts relative to the late killing of the Indian Chief, at Dunlap, Iowa: Several Indians had been encamped for some time near the town. The Indian who was killed came in, and several railroad men got in with him, and one of them succeeded in getting his blanket away. This he finally recovered. They then took away his tomahawk, and when he tried to get that back they struck him with it. This induced the Chief to make an effort to get it back by force, whereupon he was struck a cowardly blow and killed. This outrageous conduct aroused the indignation of his comrades, and they came in town in force, saying in plain English if the villains who had perpetrated the crime were not at once apprehended they would burn the place. They had force enough on hand to do it, but the authorities at once took steps to secure the dastardly scoundrels. One of them escaped, but the other is in prison and will be tried.

The thermometer reached ten degrees below zero at Madison, Wis., to-day. The Mississippi River is frozen solid at Prairie du Chien, and passengers are crossing on the ice.

Reported Outrages by the Militia in Arkansas — The Citizens to Attack Them.

MEMPHIS, Thursday, Dec. 10.

A special dispatch from Augusta, Ark., this afternoon to the *Avalanche* says the militia under Gen. UPHAM continued to seize property and arrest citizens. A large number of the citizens of the surrounding counties are banded together for the purpose of attacking the militia, and are reported to be marching on Augusta. Gen. UPHAM declares that if he is attacked, he will shoot all prisoners now in his hands, and burn the town. A committee of citizens and the police have gone to meet the advancing party and beseech them not to attack the militia, for the sake of the women and children. The greatest excitement and consternation prevails, and business is entirely suspended.

The Peruvian Monitors Detained at New-Orleans by Bad Weather.

NEW-ORLEANS, Thursday, Dec. 10.

The Peruvian monitors have been lying at Southwest Pass since leaving the city, owing to stress of the weather, employing themselves in the meantime in completing preparations for the voyage, and exercising and drilling the crew. The steamship *Havana* which has been lying outside the bar at Southwest Pass, to-day hoisted the Peruvian flag, taking the name of *Maraño*. The Spanish war vessel *Chorrucs* is here, and a second one is reported cruising off the mouth of the river.

The Mobile, New-Orleans and Chattanooga Railroad Company have placed on exhibition their maps, profiles and plans, preparatory to placing the road under contract.

Progress of the Pacific Railroad—The Work at Salt Lake.

SAN FRANCISCO, Thursday, Dec. 10.

Parties from Salt Lake City report that the grading of the Central Pacific Railway has been completed one hundred and ten miles west of that place. The remaining eighty miles to the end of the track will be graded in three weeks. No interruption to the laying of the track has occurred thus far and none is expected during the Winter, until the road reaches the Wassach Mountain east of Salt Lake.

The United States steamer *Pensacola* has arrived from Mazatlan.

The Savage Mining Company have declared a dividend of $4 per share for November, payable on the 12th.

Miscellaneous Telegrams.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 10.—The extensive planing mill and sash and blind paint shops, owned and run by Alderman S. L. RUSSELL, on Fulton-street, West Division, took fire last night and was entirely destroyed, with the contents. The machinery was valued at $50,000; the building and stock at $25,000. There was no insurance on the property. About 250 men have been thrown out of employment by the disaster. The case of SAWYER, STEELE & Co. against the City of Chicago, brought to recover $250,000 for a breach of contract, in connection with the deepening of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, was decided yesterday in favor of the defendant.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 10.—JOHN W. GARRETT has been reélected President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. THOMAS THOMPSON, of the firm of THOMPSON & EDMEADES, European importers, is dead. He was a native of England, but had been engaged in business in this city for thirty-five years. A laborer, named O'BRIEN, was killed yesterday by the caving of an embankment.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., Dec. 10.—This morning the girders in the iron foundry of BALDWIN's locomotive works gave way, and four men were hurt. One of the number, WILLIAM FLEMING, has since died. JAMES CAMERON and CHARLES LIEBIC each had one leg broken, and JOHN MARINER was badly hurt.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 10.—The Pittsburg Petroleum Association have refused to consent to the proposed change in the existing standard of refined petroleum unless adopted by the National Convention of the trade.

AMHERST, Mass., Dec. 10.—The State Board of Agriculture closed its session of three days at this place this evening with a lecture by Dr. GEORGE B. LORING, of Salem. Prof. GAMGEE, of London, MARSHALL P. WILDER, X. A. WILLARD and J. F. C. HYDE were among the principal speakers.

Acquittal of Cole.

From the Albany Argus, Dec. 8.

The jury, before whom COLE was tried for murder, after an exhausting trial, followed by wearying confinement from Friday to Monday, came into Court with a verdict of acquittal. So the homicide goes free!

The prisoner's counsel had artfully presented the alternative of a capital conviction or an entire acquittal. The jury regarding the provocation of the crime would not decree the punishment of death, and went to the other extreme of an acquittal.

And yet the second trial developed a series of facts, more fatal to the accused than the first. The relations of Mrs. COLE and HISCOCK were continuous and did not begin in force. The husband was apprised of his wife's misconduct so long before the homicide that there was no provocation to sudden madness. The homicide was designed before the prisoner left Syracuse.

The opponents of capital punishment will exult at this acquittal. And yet these philanthropists have created a code as bloody as that of DRACO, and armed every man with the knife of the executioner.

Was Mr. HISCOCK's offence—supposing all that was charged was true—worthy of death? He had been invited to a woman's bedchamber, and became her paramour. That was her story, which she decked out with some poor falsehoods. He was not permitted to deny his guilt or plead his extenuations. He was condemned to death without proof or preparation; and the enemies of capital punishment clap their hands with joy because his execution receives the sanction of the law. Not only the violation of family honor—the seriousness of which we admit—but a blow, a word of insult, has become a capital offence, and private vengeance is permitted to inflict the penalty.

It was but the other day that the women of New-York gathered at a public meeting to demand the pardon of a girl who had murdered the child she had conceived in shame. She was spoken of as a martyr to a cause, and a subscription was raised for her. There was no thought of the murdered child—and the law which sought to protect its helplessness was scoffed at.

The statutory definitions of murder are too artificial. Under any definition, the division of the responsibility of judgment between the jury and the Court weakens both. Suppose that in cases of homicide the jury were permitted to pronounce a sentence, instead of merely rendering a verdict! Suppose that in this case, and in a score of similar ones, they had been permitted to declare "Guilty, with two years' imprisonment," or "Guilty, with ten years' imprisonment," would not the ends of justice be better served than they are now?

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

NEW-YORK CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC.

A concert of a very interesting character was given last evening by the Professors and pupils of the New-York Conservatory of Music, at their hall, corner of Fourteenth-street and Fifth-avenue. The programme, which consisted of classical instrumental and vocal music, was liberal in the extreme, and brought before a very numerous audience those young persons who, of the many receiving instruction at the Conservatory, were deemed most competent to appear in public. In the performances of these few, indeed, lay for most of the spectators, the charm of the entertainment. A very cordial reception awaited them all, and very hearty applause followed the successful accomplishment of each one's task. Those who took a particularly prominent part in the concert as soloists were Miss H. SARENSEN, who sang with effect FESCA's "Zigeunermaedchen;" Miss AMELIA FRIEND, who played HELLER's transcription, "La Truite;" Mrs. LILLIAN DEPEW, who gave an aria from CONCONE's "Judith;" Miss CASSIE WOOSTER, who rendered RAFF's "Polka de la Reine," and Miss EMILY KOHL, who played MILLS' étude caprice of "Fairy Fingers." The execution of all the pupils indicated previous careful and intelligent tuition. Their performances, combined with those of Messrs. A. F. LEJEAL, B. ARNOLD, CÆSAR ALARD, F. KREPAL, and other Professors of the Conservatory, whose ability needs no eulogy here, made the *soirée* a most agreeable one.

New-York in the Revolutionary War—Interesting Reminiscences.

NEW-YORK CITY, Monday, Dec. 7, 1868.

To the Commissioners of the Central Park:

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to respectfully request that your Board may give the name of Knowlton-avenue to one of the avenues reaching from the vicinity of One Hundred and Tenth-street, the north end of the Park, to Washington Heights.

My reasons for this request are that the name and fame of Col. KNOWLTON may be honorably perpetuated. This officer gave up his life gallantly fighting for his country, Sept. 16, 1776, near the foot of Harlem-lane.

The circumstances to which I may, without being tedious, invite your attention, are simply these:

Gen. HOWE landed at Kip's Bay Sept. 15, 1776. The Continental troops, stationed behind breastworks at the present foot of Thirty-fourth-street, to oppose his landing, ran away (as WASHINGTON writes to his brother) in the most cowardly manner. That same night Gen. HOWE established his lines on the high ground extending along what is now the northern end of the Central Park, while WASHINGTON held the ridge, where now stands the Convent of the Sacred Heart. On the 16th, the day following, WASHINGTON sent Col. KNOWLTON and part of his command of Connecticut troops, to the Harlem flats. KNOWLTON becoming engaged, Major LEITCH and his Virginians were dispatched to his support. A severe engagement, with considerable loss of life, took place. KNOWLTON was killed and LEITCH severely wounded. WASHINGTON in his letter to the President of Congress, dated Sept. 18, 1776, says:

"Col. KNOWLTON's fate is much to be regretted, as he was a brave and good officer."

The following is WASHINGTON's order dated Sept. 17, 1776:

"The General most heartily thanks the troops commanded yesterday by Major LEITCH, who first advanced upon the enemy, and the others who so resolutely supported them. The behavior of yesterday was in marked contrast to that of the troops of the day before. * * * * * * *

The gallant and brave Col. KNOWLTON, who would have been an honor to any country, having fallen yesterday while gloriously fighting, Capt. BROWN is to take command." [See Sparkes, vol. 4, p. 99.]

I trust that the simple facts I have narrated may prove a sufficient justification for your compliance with my request.

It seems to me most fitting and proper that one of the avenues passing over this battle-ground—the spot where this brave and gallant officer fell—should be named in his honor, and that the circumstances of the case fully justify this communication.

I am, gentlemen, very respectfully your obedient servant, DANL. BUTTERFIELD,
Brevet Major-General United States Army.

Gen. BUTTERFIELD's view of this matter seems to be eminently proper. The Commissioners of the Park have done a very wise and a very commendable thing in preserving the breastworks erected near the Convent, where were WASHINGTON's headquarters at the time to which Gen. BUTTERFIELD refers, and the memory of the events of that day, and of the heroic sacrifice of KNOWLTON, would be very justly perpetuated by giving his name to one of the avenues, as Gen. BUTTERFIELD suggests. The various improvements that are going on in the upper part of our island tend to give our City in course of time a place among the most beautiful cities of the world: it ought to imitate the example of others in celebrating the valor and the patriotism of those who have made it and the country illustrious.

The Death of Mr. Newbery at Sea—The Law of France.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

NEW-YORK, Friday, Dec. 7, 1868.

Your Paris correspondent "Malakoff," was evidently misinformed when writing about the death of Mr. NEWBERRY, of Chicago, which took place on the *Pericre's* last voyage. Instead of that gentleman having died suddenly after a short illness, he was not much more than alive when he went on board, being then in the last stage of consumption, and his death occurred not within "three days of Havre," but three days after leaving New-York. He was personally unknown to Capt. DUCHESNE, who in the circumstances mentioned could not be justly blamed for proposing to give the dead body in question a watery grave, in accordance with the custom on all vessels. When requested to deviate from that rule, however, Capt. DUCHESNE at once consented, for there is no law in France which forbids a dead body being brought into a French port; but sanitary maritime regulations very properly require, as a general practice, the burial at sea of persons dying on shipboard, especially when at a great distance from port.

Capt. DUCHESNE possesses in a very great degree, that marked trait in the character of seamen generally, namely, spontaneous kindheartedness, and none more unwilling than he to cause unnecessary pain, under any circumstances.

NEVIFAS.

Judge Barnard and the Press.

From the Sun.

To those who understand Judge BARNARD's well-balanced mind, it has always been a mystery how he came to give that impulsive charge to the Grand Jury, three or four weeks ago. Certain facts have come to our knowledge, which afford an amusing illustration of the old adage, that "mistakes will sometimes occur in the best regulated families." On the morning when this charge was given, just as Judge BARNARD took his seat on the bench, some one placed in his hands an envelope containing a very abusive and unwarranted attack upon him, from the *Daily Times*. Assuming, on a hasty glance, that this article had appeared in the New-York DAILY TIMES, and the Grand Jury happening to enter the court-room at that moment, his Honor, smarting under this libellous and unjustifiable assault, laid the matter before the jury.

And thereupon, the Grand Inquest for the body of the City and County of New-York proceeded to take our neighbor of Printing House square in hand; and our neighbor, understanding that he was being overhauled at the instance of Judge BARNARD, thrust his quill, day by day, into the robes of his Honor.

But, upon a more careful examination of the offensive article, lo! it turned out that the missile had been hurled, not by the New-York *Times*, but by the Jersey City *Times*—an assailant of a very different caliber! And immediately upon the discovery of the fact that the article was published by a journal outside of this State, and hence beyond the jurisdiction of the Grand Jury, they, at the request of Judge BARNARD, reconsidered their action in the premises.

It seems to us that this affords an opportunity for explanations all around.

Obituary.

The death of Mr. JOSEPH KAVANAGH, a well-known clothing merchant of Western New-York, is announced in the Rochester papers as having occurred in that city on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 8. Mr. KAVANAGH, who died very suddenly, of disease of the heart, was a native of the County Kilkenny, Ireland, and was in his 53d year. He had been a resident of Rochester since 1826, or 1826. He had many devoted friends in this City. He leaves a family of three sons and three daughters. His wife died seven or eight years ago. The funeral of Mr. KAVANAGH took place yesterday, from St. Patrick's (R. C.) Church, Rochester.

The Bigamist Cunningham—He is Still on His Travels—His Arrival in Putnam County.

From Our Own Correspondent.

DOVER, Thursday, Dec. 10, 1868.

That precious scoundrel and bigamist, WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM, *alias* White, is still on his travels. After unsuccessful attempts to carry out his infamous designs at the residence of WILLIAM LAIRD, in the town of Pleasant Valley, this (Dutchess) County, he suddenly left the premises one week ago last Tuesday at 4 o'clock in the morning. He journeyed at a lively pace for a couple of hours on foot, when he reached a locality near the residence of JAMES MCCORD, in the town of Little Rest. This was at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning. There he met Mr. MCCORD, and a conversation ensued, during which CUNNINGHAM stated that he was a returned Californian and a Deputy United States Marshal in search of an absconding Government official, and also stated that he knew Mr. MCCORD's brother in California. He wished, he said, to purchase some land in the vicinity, and while looking about, had visited Mr. LAIRD's family at Pleasant Valley. There, he said, he fell in love with a young lady of the household, and they were to be married on the following Sunday at the church in Millerton. These statements induced Mr. MCCORD to tender CUNNINGHAM the hospitalities of his house, and soon thereafter the fellow was nicely domiciled. He stayed there nearly three days, when he again suddenly decamped, taking with him a heavy gold ring and a set of sleeve buttons. I hear to-day that he has since turned up in the town of Patterson, Putnam County. He has three suits of clothes with him.

PROMENADE CONCERTS.

Promenade Concert of the Seventh Regiment at the Academy of Music.

For seven years past the Seventh Regiment have given promenade concerts in their regimental armory, which have been eminently successful in promoting sociability among the members of the various companies, but it was considered that the time had arrived when the civic element might be introduced with advantage, and it was, therefore, decided to give two military and civic promenade concerts at the Academy of Music, the first of which took place last evening. On this occasion 2,500 tickets were issued, all of which were readily disposed of and even bought up at a premium.

The concert of last evening commenced at 8 o'clock. Of course the arrivals at this early hour were not many, but by 9 o'clock the house had begun to fill up, and the boxes and circles were soon brilliant with the gorgeous toilets of the ladies and the handsome uniforms of their escorts. The parquet had, of course, been floored over. At the upper end of the stage was GRAFULLA's famous band, increased to 100 performers. The house was not decorated, the Committee being of opinion that this was unnecessary. The promenade music commenced with a Grand Symphony, followed by "Il Lamento del Bardo," and selections from VERDI's "Due Foscari." Then came GRAFULLA's "Thoughts of Home," with selections from "Robert le Diable," and ending with "Genevieve." As the notes of the latter broke forth the first couple of promenaders appeared upon the floor, and were quickly followed by some five hundred others, for the house had, in the meantime, filled up with astonishing celerity.

It would be an endless task to attempt to describe the toilets of the promenaders, which were now, for the first time, seen to full advantage. From simple muslin to gorgeous satin, all were there. A few ladies, conscious perhaps of preëminent personal charms, and disdaining all adventitious aids, were content to appear in virgin white. But the majority shone forth in all the colors of the rainbow, and "with gloss of satin and glimmer of pearls," at least dazzled, if they did not charm, the eyes of the spectators.

Just before dancing commenced there must have been at least five hundred couples on the floor. Silks and satins, brilliant uniforms and sombre black coats mingled together in seemingly inextricable confusion. There appeared to be but little room for the dancers, when suddenly the galop "Not for Joe" struck up, and half a dozen couples dashed off to its inspiriting strains.

It is astonishing what determined dancers will do, provided only that they have youth and health, no corns and agreeable partners. These six bold couples soon cleared space enough to dance in, and when they had got it they kept it. From this time dancing was kept up with unflagging spirits until past midnight, according to the following programme:

Galop, "Not for Joe." WIEGAND: Valse, "Publicisten." STRAUSS: Lanciers, "Barbe Bleue." WIEGAND: Galop, "Mit Lust and Liebe." FAUST: Dieux Temps, Seventh Regiment National Guard. GRILL: Galop, "Wien Dance." SCHEUER: Valse, "Hochsanz Kinder." STRAUSS: Quadrille, "Triumph." STRAUSS: Trois Temps, "Ein tierzein Sinn." STRAUSS: Galop, Kingresandat." STRAUSS: Deux Temps, "On the Danube." STRAUSS: Lanciers, "Genevieve." WIEGAND: Galop, "La Belle Helene." WIEGAND: Valse, "Children of Berlin." KELER BELA: Galop, "Touristen." ZIKOFF.

Among the invited guests were Gen. GRANT and Admiral FARRAGUT, both of whom sent letters regretting their inability to be present. Gov. FENTON and Governor-elect HOFFMAN and family, the Mayor elect, Major Gen. SHALER and staff, the Colonels of the various Regiments of the National Guard, Hon. HENRY J. RAYMOND and daughter, JAS. G. BENNETT, Esq., and numerous representatives of the Bench, the Bar and the City Government.

The arrangements were under the charge of an executive, a floor and reception committee, the members being distinguished respectively by blue, red and white badges. The rules and regulations were strictly carried out according to the printed programme, and the various Committees were indefatigable in attending to their various duties. The concert was a decided success in every respect, and reflects credit upon those under whose charge it was got up.

The Twenty-second Regiment Reception and Promenade Concert.

The officers and members of the Twenty-second Regiment gave a grand promenade concert and reception to their numerous friends at the spacious armory of the command, in Fourteenth-street, near Sixth-avenue, and the affair proved a decided success. The large drill-room in the armory was profusely and handsomely decorated with flags and banners, the great network of beams upholding the roof being made the vehicle to sustain a multitude of flags, while the front of the galleries was also effectively decorated with trophies of arms and other military insignia. To nearly every projection around the walls of the drill-room were suspended miniature pennons of blue silk, upon which were emblazoned the names of the several States in the Union, so that the appearance of the room was very handsome indeed.

By 8 o'clock the guests had assembled to the number of over five thousand, and the crush was tremendous. Among the crowd we noticed Major-Gen. DAN. E. SICKLES, Major-Gen. ANDERSON, Major-Gen. FESENDEN, Major-Gen. PLEASONTON and other distinguished officers of the regular army; Adjt.-Gen. MARVIN, Judge-Advocate-Gen. YOUNG, and Col. MARTIN, of the Governor's staff were present, as were also Brig.-Gen. LLOYD ASPINWALL, of the Fourth Brigade; Brig.-Gen. BROOKE POSTLEY, of the Cavalry; Brig.-Gen. BENDIX, of the Third Regiment; Col. CARR, of the Eighth; Col. PARMELEE, and Lieut.-Col. ROCKAFELLAR, of the Seventy-first; Col. WILCOX and officers of the Ninth; Lieut.-Cols. KNOX and MCAFEE, of the Twelfth; Major-Gen. ALEX. SHALER and staff, and nearly all the leading officers of the First Division. The officers of the Thirteenth and other Brooklyn regiments also appeared in full force, many of them wearing new and handsome full-dress uniforms. The ladies appeared in full evening and promenade dress, and the show of toilettes was a most brilliant one.

In the centre of the room was placed a platform, upon which were seated the ladies who had participated in the festivities at the Long Branch encampment of the Twenty-second Regiment last Summer, and in their midst stood a table, on which was placed the splendid silver punch-bowl to be presented by the ladies to the regiment. The bowl is a very handsome piece of workmanship, being ornamented with blazing shells and other military emblems in frosted silver, the handle of the cover being a miniature effigy of a member of the Twenty-second Regiment.

Soon after 8 o'clock the Twenty-second Regiment formed in line of battalion, and made a splendid appearance under the command of Lieut.-Col. REMMEY. As soon as the necessary ceremonies of dress parade were gone through, the regiment was briefly addressed by Attorney-General BREWSTER, of Pennsylvania, and he presented the punch-bowl in fitting and appropriate terms. The gift was received on behalf of the Twenty-second by Lieut.-Col. REMMEY in a soldierly and concise manner. The command was then exercised in the manual of arms, the several movements being neatly executed, after which the regiment was dismissed, and the entire floor thrown open for the accommodation of the guests, who occupied the next two hours in promenade and listening to the delicious music afforded by DODWORTH's full band. At 10 o'clock a sensible diminution of the crowd was observable, owing to the departure of those intending to visit the Academy of Music and attend the hop of the Seventh Regiment, and their absence rendered the promenade quite enjoyable.

The Twenty-second Regiment, therefore, have every reason to be proud of their reception, as it was one of the most brilliant affairs of the season.

Meeting of East River Improvement Association.

A meeting of the East River Improvement Association was held at Room No. 18, Cooper Institute, last evening, JAMES R. TAYLOR, Esq., presiding, and Gen. E. M. BARNUM acting as Secretary.

The principal business was the reception of a report of a Committee appointed to investigate and obtain facts in relation to the number of steamers and sailing vessels, &c., which pass through Hell Gate within a given time.

The report, after stating several facts already published, goes on as follows:

"The sailing vessels, in addition to the risk which must necessarily be incurred, are all of them subject to very great delays and extortionate charges for pilotage, tonnage, &c. Thus, together with the fact that numbers of them are wrecked entirely in performing the passage, causes many vessels which would otherwise avail themselves of this route, to sail outside Long Island in their way eastward. Lieutenant Commanding CHARLES H. DAVIS, United States Navy, in his report on coast services, dated Feb. 18, 1868, says that it is very desirable to make such improvements as will lessen or altogether remove the hazard attending the ordinary navigation of Hell Gate, will not be disputed when it is remembered that a very large portion of the vast fleet of coasting vessels that go to New-York and up the North River pass this route, and that it is the hourly report of steamboats, crowded with passengers and carrying the most precious freight."

The Committee then quote further from Mr. DAVIS' report regarding the dangers to sailing vessels passing through Hell Gate, and the remedy which the improvements would provide. They also quote his argument for the improvements as a means of increased facilities for naval defence. In the argument he says:

"During the war with Great Britian our frigates were blockaded in the Harbor of New-York, which could not have been the case if the Hell Gate passage had been open. Commodore DECATUR ventured to carry his squadron through, but with such risk that the attempt with a frigate was made only once afterward, notwithstanding constantly recurring necessity."

The remainder of the quotation from Lieut. DAVIS' report consists of statements relating to the dangers of the channel, the special difficulties producing those dangers, and other facts which have recently been placed before the public in reports of the Association. The Committee also quote the following statement in the report of Lieut.-Commanding DAVID D. PORTER, United States Navy, dated Oct. 30, 1848:

"In a place where the interests of so many are at stake, the want of attention to the navigation of Hell Gate appears like culpable neglect. No one can form an idea of the number of vessels that go on shore during the course of a month. Fifty went on shore during the period I was occupied there, (two months,) and many of them were much injured."

The Committee quote at length from the Harbor Commissioner's report, giving an extended statement of the dangers and present condition of Hell Gate, and asserting that it was the duty of the General Government to take some further action toward remedying the serious obstructions to navigation; or, if the General Government fail to do so, that the State should certainly move in the affair, from a just regard for the lives and property of its citizens.

The report concludes with acknowledgments of the kindness of different parties in assisting the Committee in the arrangement of the facts they have presented.

The report is signed by T. F. ROWLAND, HENRY STEERS and E. F. WILLIAMS, Committee.

Addresses followed the report by Messrs. T. F. ROWLAND, Esq., R. W. LOWBER, Esq., and Gen. E. M. BARNUM.

On motion, a Committee consisting of Gen. E. M. BARNUM, THOS. F. ROWLAND, Esq., Mr. E. F. WILLIAMS and Mr. HENRY STEERS were appointed to prepare a new memorial, and circulate for signatures, on the subject of the East River improvement.

A mass meeting was announced to be held in Willet Opera House, Brooklyn, to-morrow evening.

Mr. JAMES SMITH was elected to fill a vacancy in the Council when the meeting adjourned.

The Skating Season.

While it is unnecessary to tell our readers that the last two days were cold enough to form ice, it is in good time to inform them that the ice has formed sufficiently strong to bear the multitudes that are now but awaiting the consummation of this fact. Although no large number of the skating-loving population visited the various rinks and ponds yesterday, nevertheless many of the more enthusiastic took occasion to work the rust from their tied-up skates, and also to take the stiffness from their joints. In New-York a little business was done on MITCHELL'S Fifth avenue pond, as also upon the exposed water lots of the old Beekman estate. The Central Park ponds, although frozen over and sufficiently thick and strong in their centres to bear a goodly number of people, the Commissioners do not feel assured of their safety to admit of raising the ball. At the new Empire Rink, a solid flooring of ice has been made, but the Messrs. MACMULLEN & DICKINSON do not intend to throw open the building for skating purposes until to-morrow. Miss WILSON appeared at the rink yesterday and inaugurated the skating season there. Miss WILSON is the first lady (and as yet no gentleman has performed there) who has ever skimmed the glossy surface of the new rink.

In Brooklyn the Union and Capitoline grounds were both in operation, but, of course, the people present by no means represented the crowds that will perform upon them when the season becomes more advanced. Notwithstanding the shallowness of the water upon these ponds, it will require a fortnight's freezing before the ice will cease to be a terror to the nervous. After that there will be no limit to the crowds that will visit the various ice-beds.

Prospect Park Fair Ground Club.

An adjourned meeting of the subscribers to the Prospect Park Fair Ground Association was held at the Mansion House, Brooklyn, last evening, Mr. CHARLES MARVIN in the chair. The following permanent officers of the organization were elected: President, PAUL K. WHITNEY. Vice-Presidents, S. MCLEAN, Western District; ARCHIBALD M. BLISS, Eastern District; C. R. STEVENS, New-York. Corresponding Secretary, W. H. TALMADGE; Recording Secretary, HENRY E. DODGE; Treasurer, JAMES B. CRAIG.

It was resolved to call the organization the Prospect Park Fair Ground Club. The following committee of five were appointed to prepare a Constitution and By-laws, and report at the next meeting: WM. SCHWARTZWAELDER, S. B. ST. JOHN, W. D. VEEDER, W. H. TALMADGE, GEO. W. HALL.

The Club then adjourned until next Wednesday evening at the same place.

Serious Break in the Croton Main.

An extensive break in the main Croton waterpipe, on Third-avenue, between Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth streets, occurred early on Wednesday morning. It was caused by some careless workmen, who were engaged in blasting and excavating rocks. The cellars in the vicinity were flooded with water, greatly to the dismay of the owners, who suffered considerable damage to their property. One grocer in the middle of the block had his stock, worth several hundred dollars, almost completely destroyed. The basement of the store of Dr. DUNN, on the lower corner, was entirely submerged, and his loss on drugs is estimated at $5,000.

"An Ever-Present Help."

Having used one of your machines, almost incessantly, for fifteen months past, I take pleasure in recommending it to all ladies about purchasing machines. It works equally well on all fabrics, from the heaviest beaver cloth to the thinnest muslin. It is simple in construction, and *never gets out of order*. THE Wilcox & Gibbs Sewing-machine is AN EVER-PRESENT HELP IN TIME OF NEED.—*Mrs. A. H. Oakes, Coventry, Vt., Aug. 31, 1868.—Adv.*

Recipe for Making Home Happy.

Let Paterfamilias call at No. 6 Burling-slip, foot of John st., and purchase of the LUCIUS HART MANUFACTURING COMPANY one of their elegant Tea Sets, Coffee Urns, Ice Pitchers, or numerous other articles, of the best quality, got up expressly for the HOLIDAYS for family use, and there'll be "love at home" all the year round.—*Advertisement.*

HORACE GREELY purposes to write, during the year 1869, an elementary work on Political Economy, wherein the policy of Protection to Home Industry will be explained and vindicated. This work will first be given to the public through successive issues of the New-York *Tribune*, and will appear in all its editions—Daily, $10; Semi-Weekly, $4; and Weekly, $2 per annum.—*Advertisement.*

Use the Automatic Clothes Washer and Boiler. Dispenses with labor and wear of clothes. Send stamp for circular. Depot No. 19 Cortlandt-st., New-York.—*Advertisement.*

Removal.

CHICKERING & SONS have removed to No. 11 East 16th-st., New-York, between Broadway and 5th-av.

We open our new warerooms with a full and entirely new stock of grand, square and upright piano-fortes, made from the same scales as those exhibited by us at the Paris Universal Exposition, when we were awarded the HIGHEST RECOMPENSE OVER ALL COMPETITION.

Pianos to rent. Also for sale, a large stock of second-hand pianos of various makers, all in THOROUGH REPAIR AND GOOD ORDER.

Do you want a timekeeper? If so, ask your watchmaker for a Bonel and Courvoi er Nickel Watch; Prize Medal awarded at London, Paris and Swiss Expositions, for best performance. QUINCHE & KRUGER, Nos. 8 and 10 John-st. (up stairs,) only wholesale agents for the manufacturers.

Hair Dye, Hair Dye, Hair Dye. The genuine W. A. BATCHELOR'S Hair Dye is the best in the world—the only perfect dye—harmless, reliable, instantaneous, black or brown. Sold everywhere, and properly applied at BATCHELOR'S Wig Factory, 16 Bond, N.Y.

A Pill in the Stomach is Dangerous and absurd. Dr. WOLCOTT condemns even calnip tea, for it brings on marasmus, and has sent millions to

THE PERUVIAN IRON-CLADS.

Preparations for their Early Departure from New-Orleans—Their Crews and Armaments.

From the New-Orleans Picayune, Dec. 5.

For sometime past, as many of our readers are aware, two iron-clads, formerly known as the *Oneonta* and *Calawba*, but since the hoisting of the Peruvian colors as the *Manco Capac* and *Atahualpa*, have been actively engaged in fitting out for sea at the Algiers ship-yard, across the river. The iron-clads, it will be remembered, were purchased two years or more ago from the United States Government, by Messrs. SWIFT & Co., agents for the Peruvian Government, the sale at the time creating a good deal of scandal in consequence of certain inquiries made in reference to it in Congress. Over a year ago a rumor prevailed that these steamers were about to take their departure, and Judge KELLOGG, then Collector of the port, was ordered to keep close watch upon their movements, because it was stated there was still trouble in reference to the sale made to SWIFT & Co., by the Navy Department, and also that the authorities at Washington were fearful lest the neutrality laws might be violated—hostilities still continuing between Spain and Peru. Upon making an examination of these iron-clads at that time, the officers detailed by the Collector reported that they were so effectively dismantled, so far as regarded their machinery, that it would be impossible for them to move without refitting, and the authorities at Washington were so informed. Since that time it appears these monitors have passed regularly into the hands of the Peruvian Government, and are now being rapidly gotten ready for sea under the eye of Peruvian Minister, Señor GARCIA Y GARCIA, who arrived in our city on Sunday last.

Having been entirely refitted throughout and made as sea-worthy as such monsters can be, these vessels were engaged in taking in coal yesterday, and will to-day haul out into the stream to organize their crews previous to starting upon the six months' voyage around Cape Horn.

The iron-clads, which were built in Cincinnati, toward the close of the war, are single-turreted monitors, armed each with two 15-inch guns, and draw about 13 feet of water, with six days' coal on board. Their crews, counting officers, men and all hands number nearly two hundred each, all engaged at liberal salaries and paid in American gold. The firemen alone form quite a force for large vessels, and were reëngaged at $60 a month in gold. The iron-clads are propelled by double propellers, and have also recently been rigged with two masts—the foremost provided with a square sail and staysail, and the main mast with a spanker. This amount of canvass with two jobs, it is thought, will tend to lift and ease them materially in a sea-way. These monitors are under the command of a Peruvian Commodore, and two Post Captains and a number of Peruvian minor officers. The executive officers are Americans, as well as the engineers, gunners, seamen, &c. They are to be convoyed the whole distance by two steamships, the *Havana* and *Monterey*, which vessels are expected here daily from New-York. As they can only take on board enough coal to last for six days at a time, there will be, we should take it, some difficulty in making coaling stations.

We would state, in conclusion, that Collector FULLER informs us that his present instructions are, not to interfere in any way with the departure of the monitors. The Spanish steam corvette *Churruca*, which has been lying in our port for some months past keeping watch, it is said, upon these monitors, went to sea a few days ago, and is reported cruising off the Balize. This espionage on the part of the *Churruca* is said to refer only to the Cuban filibustering movement, in which these ironclads were at one time reported to have been engaged. She would do little, however, in the way of stopping these unprotested monsters, with their four heavy fifteen-inch guns and coats of mail, if they should take a fancy to point their prows toward the "Ever Faithful Isle."

Steamboat Explosion and Loss of Life at Mobile.

From the Mobile Register, Dec. 4.

This morning, about 9 o'clock, the steamer *C. W. Dorrance*, lying at Dauphin-street wharf, while having her boilers inspected by Mr. J. B. OLIS, United States Inspector, exploded the doctor boiler with a tremendous noise, smashing up the forward part of the boat and leaving her almost a complete wreck. Immediately after the explosion it was found that two negroes had been killed outright and four wounded, one of them mortally. Two negroes were blown into the river, one of whom succeeded in reaching the shore in safety, and the other was drowned.

Large pieces of the boiler were hurled with great force and almost every direction. The steamer caught fire, but the engines soon extinguished the flames.

The upper works of the boat, immediately over the engines, and extending about sixty or seventy feet aft, were completely torn up, fragments of wood, pieces of machinery, boat furniture, &c., lying about in every direction. The after portion of the steamer was uninjured; but such was the force of the explosion that pieces of wood from the wreck of the forward part were hurled to the extreme end of the saloon. The *Dorrance* had just been thoroughly overhauled, or rather rebuilt, and was to have left this evening on her first trip for Wetumpka. She is owned by the Mobile Trade Company.

From Mr. BEN HARRIS, engineer of the boat, we learn that at the time of the accident the large boilers were being filled with water, for the purpose of testing them, from the "doctor," when a patch on the after end of the doctor boiler commenced leaking, and in about a minute afterward the explosion occurred. The boiler had a pressure of about 135 pounds of steam.

The negroes killed and wounded were employed on the boat in the capacity of firemen, and hailed from up the river.

Capt. OTIS and Mr. HARRIS were both standing near the engines, but fortunately escaped without any injury.

The Sandwich Island Reciprocity Treaty.

From the Honolulu Commercial Advertiser, Oct. 10.

His Excellency, C. C. HARRIS, late Envoy to Washington, invited a number of sugar planters and agents of plantations to meet at his office on Thursday last, Oct. 8, at 11 A. M. The meeting was well attended, and he laid before it some facts regarding his mission to Washington and the efforts to secure the ratification of the Reciprocity Treaty, and how the measure now stands. He stated that he still had hopes of its passage by the new Congress, and that Senator SUMNER also had. Nothing new or important was developed at the Conference, and the general impression appears to be that much uncertainty attaches to its ratification, unless the Canadian Reciprocity Treaty is brought forward and receives favor, when it may be wise again to make special efforts to secure the passage of our treaty, by the employment of a special agent and by enlisting the support of the Pacific Congressional delegations, which are generally in its favor.

FINANCIAL.

BANKING HOUSE OF

JAY COOKE & CO.

NO. 20 WALL-ST.,

CORNER OF NASSAU-ST., NEW-YORK.

We buy and sell at the most liberal current prices, and keep on hand a full supply of

GOVERNMENT BONDS OF ALL ISSUES,

And execute orders for purchase and sale of

STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD.

We have added to our office a Retail Department for the accommodation of the public demand for investment in and exchanges of Government Securities, the purchase of GOLD and INTEREST COUPONS, and the sale of INTERNAL REVENUE STAMPS.

JAY COOKE & CO.

VERMILYE & CO.,

BANKERS,

REMOVED TO

NOS. 16 AND 18 NASSAU-ST.

DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES AND IN GOLD AND GOLD COUPONS.

CLOSING PRICES.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 10, 1868—3 P. M.

	Buy.	Sell.		Buy.	Sell.
Registered, 1881.	116¾	116	5-20 Coupon, '67..	110¾	110¾
Coupon, 1881.....	114¾	114¾	5-20 Coupon, '68.	110¾	110¾
5-20 Regis., 1862.	106¾		10-40 Registered.	103¾	103¾
5-20 Coupon, '62.	106¾	111	10-40 Coupon.....	103¾	103¾
5-20 Coupon, '64.	107	107¼	Gold.....	136¾	136¾
5-20 Coupon, '65.	107¼	107¾	U. S. Cur. Fac...	89¾	90¾
5-20 Coupon, '65, Jan. and July..	110	110¼			

BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION,

RAILWAY STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD,

MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

HATCH, FOOTE & CO

BANKERS,

AND DEALERS IN

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, GOLD, STOCKS, &C.

Buy and Sell all issues of

U. S. BONDS

at MARKET RATES.

No. 12 Wall-st., New-York.

PROPOSALS FOR

$75,000

CITY CEMETERY STOCK.

Sealed proposals will be received at the Comptroller's office until TUESDAY, Dec. 15, 1868, at 2 o'clock P. M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars of "City Cemetery Stock," authorized by chap. 177, laws of 1868, and by an ordinance of the Common Council, approved by the Mayor, Nov. 20, 1868.

Said stock is to be issued for the purpose of providing means for the purchase of a plot of ground by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, within the boundaries of this State, suitable for a public cemetery or burial ground additional to the plots now owned by them for such purpose.

The stock will bear interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually on the 1st day of May and November in each year, and the principal will be redeemed on the 1st day of August, 1878.

The proposals will state the amount of stock desired and the price per one hundred dollars thereof, and the persons whose proposals are accepted will thereupon be required to deposit with the Chamberlain the sums awarded to them respectively, together with any premium thereon.

On depositing to the Comptroller the receipts of the Chamberlain for such deposits, the parties will be entitled to receive certificates for equal amounts of the par value of the sums awarded to them, bearing interest from the dates of payments.

Each proposal should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for City Cemetery Stock," and inclosed in a second envelope addressed to the Comptroller.

The right is reserved to reject any or all of the bids if the interests of the Corporation require it.

RICHARD B. CONNOLLY, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Nov. 23, 1868.

HEDDEN, WINCHESTER & CO.,

No. 4 Wall-st.,

BANKERS AND BROKERS.

STOCKS, BONDS, GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, AND GOLD BOUGHT AND SOLD on commission. Interest allowed on balances.

FOR SALE,

ROCHESTER CITY SEVEN PER CENT. FIRST MORTGAGE WATERWORKS COMPANY SINKING FUND BONDS, DUE 1887, INTEREST PAYABLE JANUARY AND JULY, BEING A FIRST-CLASS SECURITY AT A REDUCTION BELOW PAR, AND PAYING A LARGE RATE OF INTEREST ON THE INVESTMENT. A LIMITED AMOUNT FOR SALE BY

ALBERT H. NICOLAY,

STOCK BROKER AND AUCTIONEER,

NO. 43 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK.

WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.,

BANKERS,

NO. 27 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK.

ISSUE LETTERS OF CREDIT for Travelers use available in all parts of the world.

GOVERNMENT AND OTHER SECURITIES bought and sold at the Stock Exchange on usual commission.

Interest allowed on deposits.

SOWLES BROTHERS & CO.,

BANKERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

NO. 12 RUE DE LA PAIX, PARIS,

No. 15 William-st., New-York,

No. 10 State-st., Boston.

Make advances on American securities and cash coupons on demand. Bills on the United States or England bought and sold. Circular credits cashed.

Letters for Americans in Europe addressed to our care will be forwarded or delivered.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.

NO. 59 WALL-ST.

ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THIS COUNTRY AND ABROAD.

AUGUST BELMONT & CO.,

Issue Letters of Credit, for Travelers' use, on

MESSRS. ROTHSCHILDS

in Paris, London, Frankfort-on-the-Main, Vienna, and their correspondents in all principal cities of Europe; also, make Telegraphic Transfers on

CALIFORNIA AND EUROPE.

DREXEL, WINTHROP & CO.,

No. 18 Wall-st.

Drafts on the LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK.

Drafts on DREXEL, HARJES & CO., Paris.

COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS.

OFFICE OF THE ASHBURTON COAL COMPANY, 24 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 9, 1868.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE ASHBURTON COAL COMPANY: You will please take notice that a special meeting of the stockholders of the Ashburton Coal Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 43 Pine-st., New-York, on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30, 1868, at 2 o'clock P. M., to take such action as may be required in respect to the foreclosure of the mortgages executed by the Company, and to determine what course shall be pursued in regard to the purchase or a part of the Company's land at tax sales, and to take such action as may be advisable in regard to a lease of the mining works of the Company.

LOUIS J. BELLONI, JR.,
D. J. SPRAGUE,
JOHN T. ROLLINS,
A majority of Directors.

FIFTY SHARES OXFORD IRON COMPANY, 3,000 shares Central Petroleum Company, 250 shares Stout Coal Company, for sale at the office of DRAKE BROTHERS, No. 16 Broad-st.

SAVINGS BANKS.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION,

NO. 96 WARREN-ST., NEW-YORK.

SIX PER CENT. interest allowed on all sums from $1 to $5,000, free from Government tax.

Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

WALTER W. CONKLIN, President.

VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

All money deposited now will draw interest from Jan. 1.

THIRD-AV. SAVINGS BANK,

CORNER 3D-AV. AND 26TH-ST.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST paid, free from Government tax, on all sums from $1 to $5,000.

Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY EVENINGS, from 6 to 8 o'clock.

THE MUTUAL BENEFIT SAVINGS BANK,

NO. 156 NASSAU-ST., SUN BUILDING,

Opposite City Hall.

OPEN DAILY from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY EVENINGS from 5 to 7 o'clock.

Six per cent. interest allowed, free of tax.

CHAS. M. GRAHAM, President.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 2, 1868.

CITIZENS' SAVINGS BANK,

Southwest corner of Bowery and Canal-st., N. Y.

SIX PER CENT. Interest paid, free of Government tax, on all sums from $1 to 5,000 dollars. Open every day from 10 to 3, and in the evenings of Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 5 to 7.

PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK,

No. 1,146 Broadway, between 26th and 27th sts.

INTEREST SIX PER CENT.

CHARLES PEUK, President.

CHARLES T. RODGERS, Secretary.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST ON $5 TO $5,000 payable on demand.

UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK,

Nos. 356 and 358 Canal-st., corner of Laight-st.

Assets, $5,650,831 24.

WATCHES AND JEWELRY.

AMERICAN WATCHES AT MANUFACTURERS' prices; enamel clocks, our manufacture; diamond and gold jewelry, silver and silver-plated ware in great variety at reduced prices.

A. FRANKFIELD & CO.,

No. 259 6th-av., cor. 14th-st., and 218 6th-av., cor. 29th-st.

AUCTION SALES.

JAMES M. MILLER, Auctioneer.

TRUSTEE'S SALE AT AUCTION.

50 Parcels of Land,

CONTAINING ABOUT

250 LOTS,

PART OF THE MORRIS ESTATE.

JAMES M. MILLER will sell at auction, TUESDAY, Dec. 22, 1868, at Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, at 12 M., by order of the Trustee,

50 PARCELS OF LAND,

Containing about 250 lots, situated on Central-av., near 171st-st., and three miles south of Kingsbridge.

This tract of land forms part of the Morris estate, and has been in the possession of the Morris family for nearly 200 years. Its advantages of situation cannot be overstated.

It is now proposed to place this section of Westchester County under the direction of the Central Park Commissioners, and the advantages to grow out of that circumstance are incalculable, as the Central-av. Grand Boulevard will run through the property. The communication with the lower portion of New-York City is by means of railroads now in operation, which makes these lots as desirable and convenient as Murray Hill is at the present time.

For maps, diagrams and further particulars, apply to the Auctioneer, No. 28 Pine-st.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

HOUSE AND LOT

ON

5TH-AV., WITH STABLE,

AND

LOT ON 13TH-ST.,

FORMING AN L.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO., WILL SELL AT AUCTION,

ON

TUESDAY, DEC. 15,

at 12 M., at the

EXCHANGE SALESROOM,

No. 111 BROADWAY.

The four-story brick house and lot No. 76 5th-av., with the brick stable and lot on 13th-st., the lots together forming an L.

Lot on 5th-av., about 27x100 feet.

Lot on 13th-st., 16x103 feet.

Full particulars at the Office, No. 7 Pine-st.

EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer.

LARGE TRADE SALE OF NEW CARRIAGES and sleighs of the finest and latest make, to be sold at auction by EDWARD SCHENCK, at the Armory, in 14th-st., near 6th-av., commencing

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 16,

at 9½ o'clock A. M., each day, and continuing until 12 o'clock, and recommencing every evening at 7½ o'clock, until the stock is disposed of.

The sale will comprise about 200 vehicles,

CLARENCES, LANDAUS,
COACHES, PHAETONS,
DOG CARTS, BAROUCHES,
COUPES, WAGONS,
SLEIGHS.

They will be on exhibition on MONDAY, 14th, and TUESDAY, 15th inst., DAY and EVENING.

The above is the free and largest sale of first-class carriages ever sold in this City, and the attention of all purchasers is respectfully requested. Sale absolute.

SALE OF ORDNANCE STORES.

By direction of the President of the United States the following condemned ordnance stores and ordnance stores will be offered at public auction at the Watertown Arsenal, Massachusetts, on THURSDAY, the 17th December, at 10 o'clock A. M., viz.:

64 cast-iron cannon, 1 boring machine,
Artillery implements and equipments, 1 vertical drill,
Cavalry equipments and swords, 1 hand force-pump,
Infantry equipments, Blacksmiths', carpenters' and finishers' tools,
Spare parts of small arms, Scrap iron and steel.

Catalogues giving more detailed information can be had by application at the Arsenal, or at the Ordnance Office, Washington City.

C. P. KINGSBURY,
Brevet Brigadier-General Commanding.

WATERTOWN ARSENAL, Mass., Nov. 17, 1868.

EDWARD MITTNER, Auctioneer.

BY T. R. MINTURN, ARROW & CO.—THIS DAY, (Friday,) Dec. 11, at 11 o'clock, within the store:

12 cases Preserved Ginger.
28 cases Preserved Citron and Orange.
2,5-0 packages Malaga Raisins.
300 frails Sour Raisins.
300 kegs Sour Raisins.
800 boxes Connetable Raisins.
200 boxes Bloom Raisins.
500 boxes Smyrna Figs.

F. COLTON, Auctioneer.

ELEGANT SALE OF HOUSEHOLD furniture, French plate pier mirrors, rosewood parlor suites in satin brocatel, elegant marble, wardrobes and bedsteads; solid rosewood and black walnut bedroom goods, silk and brocatel, curtains and cornices, marble-top centre tables, several extension tables, oilpaintings, bronze and silver-plated tea sets, carpets, oil-cloths, plush-covered parlor suites, &c., &c. THIS DAY, (Friday,) Dec. 11, at 1½ o'clock, at No. 724 Broadway, in the very large room on the second floor of the entire furniture of two dwellings, removed to this floor for convenience of sale. It will embrace almost every kind and description of really good furniture, and will have been in storage for two years. Catalogues early on Friday morning.

D. M. SEAMAN, Auctioneer.

HARLEM LOTS AT AUCTION.

D. M. SEAMAN will sell on FRIDAY, Dec. 11, 1868, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, the following desirable lots:

2D-AV.—Two lots, east side, 25.3 feet south of 107th-st., each 20.2x100.

107TH-ST.—Three lots, south side, 225 feet east of 3d-av., each 22.1x75.6.

Maps, &c., at the office, No. 14 Pine-st.

J. COLE, Auctioneer.

POSITIVE SALE TO CLOSE, AN ESTATE of 36 valuable lots and gores, in the immediate vicinity of Prospect Park, situate in Flatbush and Flatbush, Kings County, L. I., on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 16, at 12 o'clock, at the Commercial Exchange, No. 289 Fulton-st., opposite the City Hall, Brooklyn. Maps, &c., are now ready.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT under and by virtue of a certain instrument of indenture, dated the sixth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine made and entered into by and between JAMES C. COGGILL and HENRY BROWN, ELISHA RIGGS, WILLIAM S. WETMORE and STEWART BROWN, of the first part; PROSPER M. WETMORE, of the second part, and the United States of America, by JOHN Y. MASON, Secretary of the Navy of the United States, of the third part, and for the purpose of obtaining repayment of the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of United States money, being the amount of the outstanding balance of advance due, unpaid and unrefunded to the United States, with interest thereon from the twentieth day of the month, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, will on the first day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, at 12 o'clock at noon, sell at the Merchants' Exchange, in the City of New-York, at public auction, for cash, the steamship *Atlantic*, her tackle, apparel, &c.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, April 13, 1858.

The above sale having been postponed from time to time to this date, it is hereby again postponed until THURSDAY, October 29th, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, at the Merchants' Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, at twelve o'clock at noon.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, May 31, 1864.

The above sale is postponed till WEDNESDAY, November thirty, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, October 26, 1864.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, January twenty-six, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, November 30, 1864.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, March twenty-three, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, January 26, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till WEDNESDAY, April twenty-six, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, March 28, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till WEDNESDAY, May twenty-four, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, April 26, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till WEDNESDAY, June twenty-eight, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, May 26, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till WEDNESDAY, August twenty-three, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, June 26, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, October twenty-fifth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, August 28, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, December twenty-eight, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, October 26, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, March twenty-nine, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, May thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, March 29, 1866.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, July twenty-six, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE Trustee.

NEW-YORK, May 31, 1866.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, October twenty-fifth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, July 26, 1866.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, December twenty-seventh, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, Oct. 25, 1866.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, January thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 27, 1866.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, March twenty-eighth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 31, 1867.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, May thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, March 29, 1867.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, August twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, May 30, 1867.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, December twenty-sixth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, at the same time and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, Aug. 26, 1867.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, March twenty-sixth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at the same time and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 26, 1867.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, May twenty-sixth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at the same time and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, March 26, 1868.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, July thirty, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at the same time and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, May 25, 1868.

The above sale is postponed to THURSDAY, October fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at same time and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, July 30, 1868.

The above sale is postponed to THURSDAY, January seventh, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, Oct. 15, 1868. oct16-lawtothjan

AUCTION SALES.

HENRY H. LEEDS & MINER.

On WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, 16th and 17th December, at the Clinton Hall Sale Rooms, at the

LEEDS ART GALLERIES,

Nos. 817 and 819 Broadway, southwest corner of 12th-st., private collection of fine Oil Paintings, the property of a gentleman now abroad, comprising the works of a number of our eminent and successful artists; also Antique Glass pictures by celebrated European artists, including two important works, painted to order for the present owner, by

REGIS GIGNOUX,

THE FIRST SNOW

A FINE LARGE LANDSCAPE, BY

D. HUNTINGTON, N. A.

Also embracing the works of

G. O. Kensett,	C. Van Thoren,	Schaselle,
S. R. Gifford,	C. P. Granet,	G. W. Nicholson,
G. H. Hall,	J. H. Dolph,	J. R. Brevoort,
L. R. Mignot,	J. Nellig,	Andrews,
J. G. Brown,	W. M. Brown,	Hamilton,
Wm. Hart,	G. H. McCord,	J. D. Barrow,
E. White,	R. A. Blakelock,	K. Van Elten,
A. D. Shattuck,	Bradford,	C. C. Sommer,
Geo. Inness,	Douglas,	Carmichael,
W. F. Dethaas,	W. M. Oddie,	E. DeBlois,
Meyer Von Bremen,	J. Williamson,	Schedler,
	Morris,	H. Seffery,
Armfield,	Van-de-Pol,	D. Cal,
J. Noel,	C. Hoquet,	Kneel,
H. Schaep,	Musson,	A. Barland,

and other favorite artists of celebrity. The Pictures will be on exhibition, free, on and from THURSDAY, 10th inst., until evening of sale, with catalogues.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer.

BY HENRY H. LEEDS & MINER.

SALE IN BANKRUPTCY.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE OF ELEGANT DIAMOND JEWELRY, STERLING AND SILVER-PLATED WARE, FANCY GOODS, &c.

HENRY H. LEEDS & MINER will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Dec. 15, at 10½ o'clock, and every day following until the entire stock is disposed of, at No. 260 Pearl-st., and No. 34, 36 and 38 Ann-st., ready made of United States Hotel, the entire stock together with the fixtures, contained in the above store, by order of Assignee, in which stock will be found:

DIAMOND JEWELRY.—Consisting of cluster and single stone diamond rings, brooches, ear-rings, scarf pins, &c. Also, coral, full and half sets; pearls' seal rings, beautiful cameos, sleeve buttons, studs, scarf pins, gold and silver watches, made by the most celebrated makers; gold guard and vest chains, ladies' gold watches, enameled and set with diamonds.

ELEGANT STERLING SILVER AND PLATED WARE.—Consisting in part of tea and tete-a-tete sets; solid silver-hafted dinner, dessert and tea knives, forks, spoons, pickle forks, silver ladles, silver tobacco and snuff-boxes, fruit knives, various sized salvers, ice-pitchers, &c.

FANCY GOODS.—Comprising the finest description, consisting of dinner, dessert and tea knives, cheese scoops, carvers and steels, and other articles in the cutlery line.

Also, all the fixtures of said establishment, consisting of two large jewelers' show cases, silver-plated French plate glass, show-cases, scales and weights, counters, &c. Also, the lease, expiring on the first of May, 1870, which will be sold on the last day of the sale.

The stock is all in good condition, very extensive, and will be sold without reserve. By order of

J. FORNACHON, Assignee.

CLINTON HALL SALE ROOMS AND ART GALLERIES.

LEAVITT, STRREBER & CO., AUCTIONEERS.

SATURDAY, DEC. 12,

150 OIL-PAINTINGS,

BY MR. ROSSITER,

comprising many views in the highlands of the Hudson; Mr. Cheverhouse, Moonlights and Candlelight Effects; and Mr. Beam, Fruit. Catalogues ready and paintings on exhibition day and evening.

MONDAY, DEC. 14,

And following days, at 7 o'clock P. M.,

A choice collection of books, relating to America, local histories, scarce Confederate documents, large paper and printed works, facetiæ, &c.; also, a valuable lot of autograph letters, manuscripts, &c., comprising the correspondence of Hon. Asbury Dickens, (formerly Secretary of Mint,) coins, medals, &c.; also, a collection of music, formerly the property of Mr. Wm. Palmer, (Robert Heller,) with two violins, said to be very valuable. Among the autographs will be found a copy of the resolution of the Thirty-eighth Congress abolishing slavery, neatly engrossed and signed by the President, and other officers, and Senators and Representatives who voted for the resolution. The only copy in existence and unique; beautifully framed. Catalogues ready and articles on exhibition.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, Nos. 24 and 26 Front-st. at auction.

E. M. LADLEY & CO. will sell at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, (Trinity Building,) New-York, on TUESDAY, Dec. 15, 1868, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, (Trinity Building,) New-York,

FRONT-ST.—The lease of the lot with the two-story iron building, covering the entire lot, 34x70 feet, Nos. 24 and 26 Front-st., near Jackson-st. Lease has four years to run from May 1, 1869; ground rent $350 per annum and taxes.

Maps and permits at the office of the auctioneers, No. 9 Pine-st.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

NO. 430 EAST 10TH-ST., NEAR AVENUE D.—AUCTION.—E. B. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Dec. 15, 1868, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, (Trinity Building,) New-York:

EAST 10TH-ST.—The valuable two-story and attic brick dwelling and lot, No. 430 East 10th-st., north side, between Avenue D and Dry Dock-st.; house 18x31 feet, with immediate possession; lot 25 feet front, and 100 feet deep, and mortgage, which can remain for three years from May 1, 1869.

Maps and permits at the office of the Auctioneers, No. 9 Pine-st.

A. M. CHESTALER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF DIAMONDS, WATCHES, JEWELRY, &c.—A. M. CHESTALER & SON will sell THIS DAY, Dec. 11, at 10½ o'clock, at No. 7 Parkplace, a large and valuable assortment of fine diamond, solitaire and cluster, pearl and opal gold jewelry, brooches and rings, rings, charms, &c., &c.; also English and American gold and silver watches, gilt clocks, silver-plated ware, &c., &c. Catalogues at sale. Trade invited.

ROBERT SOMERVILLE, Auctioneer—No. 37 Nassau-st.

FINE ENGLISH AND AMERICAN BOOKS IN RICH BINDINGS, SUPERBLY ILLUSTRATED JUVENILE WORKS.

Will be sold, on SATURDAY and MONDAY, Dec. 12 and 14, at 10½ o'clock, by ROBERT SOMERVILLE, at his salesroom, No. 37 Nassau-st., a splendid assortment of books. Catalogues now ready.

GEORGE COOK, Auctioneer.

SILVER-PLATED WARE, CUTLERY, &c.—Special sale of one of the largest and best stocks of fine silver-plated ware ever offered at auction in this City, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, at No. 141 Liberty-st. Particulars in catalogues.

N. B.—TO-MORROW, at 10 o'clock, above, superb clocks, bronzes, parians, &c., suitable for holiday presents. Catalogues at sale.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON THE 8th day of December, A. D. 1868, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of JOSHUA M. CROFT, of New-York City, in the County of New-York, and State of New-York, who has been adjudged bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts, and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 20 Pine-st., corner Nassau-st., Rooms Nos. 2 and 4, in the City of New-York, before Isaiah T. Williams, Register, on the 16th day of December, A. D. 1868, at 12 o'clock M.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, April 13, 1858.

The above sale having been postponed from time to time to this date, it is hereby again postponed until THURSDAY, October 29th, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, at the Merchants' Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, at twelve o'clock at noon.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, May 31, 1864.

The above sale is postponed till WEDNESDAY, November thirty, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, October 26, 1864.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, January twenty-six, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, November 30, 1864.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, March twenty-three, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, January 26, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till WEDNESDAY, April twenty-six, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, March 28, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till WEDNESDAY, May twenty-four, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, April 26, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till WEDNESDAY, June twenty-eight, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, May 26, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till WEDNESDAY, August twenty-three, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, June 26, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, October twenty-fifth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, August 28, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, December twenty-eight, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, October 26, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, March twenty-nine, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1865.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, May thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, March 29, 1866.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, July twenty-six, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, at the same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE Trustee.

NEW-YORK, May 31, 1866.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, October twenty-fifth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, at the same hour and place

SHIPPING.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:

LAFAYETTE.....DUCHESNE.....SATURDAY, Dec. 12
EUROPE.....LEMARIE.....SATURDAY, Dec. 19
ST. LAURENT.....SOLANDE.....SATURDAY, Jan. 9

PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD, (including wine.)
TO HAVRE.
First cabin, $140; second cabin, $90.
TO PARIS.
including railway tickets, furnished on board,
First cabin, $145; second cabin, $95.

These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

Medical attendance free of charge.

American travelers going to or returning from the Continent of Europe, by taking the steamers of this line, avoid both transit by English railways and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble and expense.

GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 58 Broadway.

STEAMER PEREIRE, FOR BREST AND HAVRE, will leave Pier No. 50 North River, foot of Morton-st., on SATURDAY, Dec. 12, at 9 o'clock. Passengers are requested to be on board at 10 o'clock.

GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

CHINA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Dec. 9
CUBA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Dec. 16
JAVA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Dec. 23
AUSTRALASIAN leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30
RUSSIA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Jan. 6
CHINA leaves.....WEDNESDAY, Jan. 13

RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN GOLD:

Cabin	$130	Steerage	$30
Second cabin	90		
Cabin passage to Paris	145		

Berths not secured until paid for.
An experienced surgeon on board.
The owners of these ships will not be accountable for specie or valuables, unless bills of lading having the value expressed are signed therefor.
For freight or passage apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green, New-York.

CUNARD LINE OF STEAMERS.
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.
FROM NEW-YORK EVERY THURSDAY.

TRIPOLI.....Dec. 10 | SIBERIA.....Dec. 24
TARIFA.....Dec. 24 | ALEPPO.....Jan. 7

RATES OF PASSAGE FROM NEW-YORK:
Cabin.....$80 Currency.
Steerage.....$30 Currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown at low-est rates.
For freight or Cabin Passage, apply at No. 4 Bowling-green.
For Steerage Passage, apply at No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building. E. CUNARD.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND DERRY.
THE ANCHOR LINE,
favorite Clyde-built Steamers, are intended to sail
EVERY SATURDAY
From Pier No. 20, North River, 12 o'clock, noon.

CALEDONIA.....Dec. 12 | EUROPA.....Jan. 2
BRITANNIA.....Dec. 19 | COLUMBIA.....Jan. 9
UNITED KINGDOM.....Dec 26 | IOWA.....Jan. 16

RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Cabins, to Liverpool, Glasgow, or Derry, $80 and $75.
Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $150.
Steerage, to Glasgow or Derry, $30; Intermediate, $35.
Prepaid Certificates from these ports, $37.
Passengers booked to and from Hamburg, Havre, Rotterdam, Antwerp, &c., at very low rates.
Drafts issued payable at any bank in Great Britain and Ireland.
For further information apply at the Company's office, No. 6 Bowling-green, New-York, to
HENDERSON BROTHERS.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.—Inman Line, of mail steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

CITY OF ANTWERP.....SATURDAY, Dec. 12
CITY OF N. YORK (via Halifax).....TUESDAY, Dec. 15
CITY OF PARIS.....SATURDAY, Dec. 19
CITY OF LONDON.....SATURDAY, Dec. 26

ARE each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY at 1 P. M., tide permitting, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE

PAYABLE IN GOLD.		PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.	
First Cabin	$100	Steerage	$30
To London	105	To London	35 and 40
To Paris	115	To Paris	45 and 50
Halifax	30	Halifax	20

St. John's, N. F., do., $15; Steerage, $10.
Branch Steamer to Halifax and Branch Steamer to St. John's, N. F.
Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.
Tickets can be bought here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.
For further information apply at the Company's Offices.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

LIVERPOOL, NEW-YORK AND PHILADELPHIA STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

Shippers per CITY OF BOSTON are hereby notified that in consequence of that vessel being ordered to put back and discharge, her cargo will be transferred to and forwarded by steamer CITY OF LONDON, sailing THIS DAY. JOHN G. DALE, Agent.

LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY,
FOR LIVERPOOL.
From Pier No. 46 North River, WEDNESDAYS.

NEBRASKA	1,500 tons	Dec. 23 at 8 A. M.	
MANHATTAN	2,865 tons	Jan. 6	
MINNESOTA	1,850 tons	Jan. 6	
COLORADO	3,015 tons	Jan. 20	

Cabin passage, $80, gold; Steerage, $30, currency.
Tickets to bring out passengers from Europe can be obtained on reasonable terms.
For freight or passage, apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 71 Wall-st.
For steerage passage of
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 29 Broadway.

STEAM COMMUNICATION DIRECT BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND NEW-ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA, VIA PANAMA.

THE PANAMA, NEW-ZEALAND, AND AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY dispatch a steamer every month, sailing from Panama about the 20th, upon the arrival of the British Mail Steamer at Aspinwall. The Pacific Mail Company's steamer leaving New-York for Aspinwall on the 9th of each month will make the necessary connection. Passengers and cargo booked through from New-York to the several Colonial ports.

A special steamer runs to the newly discovered gold region of Hokitika.

For further information regarding rates of freight, passage money, &c., &c., apply to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, No. 56 Wall-st., or to
CHARLES W. WEST, Agent,
No. 23 William-st., New-York.

NATIONAL LINE.
THE STEAMSHIP FRANCE, GRACE,
Will leave SATURDAY, Dec. 12, at 1 P. M., from Pier No. 47 North River.
Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100; Steerage, $30, currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $37, currency.
Apply at the Company's office, Nos. 69 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

PASSAGE TO AND FROM
GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND
BY STEAM OR SAILING PACKET,
AT REDUCED RATES.
DRAFTS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT ENGLAND, IRELAND, SCOTLAND AND WALES.
For particulars apply to
TAPSCOTT, BROTHERS & CO.,
No. 55 South-st. and No. 23 Broadway.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S
THROUGH LINE TO
CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.
Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:

First Cabin.		Second Cabin.	Steerage.
Outside.	Inside.		
$275	$225	$150	$75

Steamers of the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon,

FOUR TIMES A MONTH
On 1st, 9th, 16th and 24th,
except when those days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.

One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.

Dec. 16—RISING STAR, Capt. KING, connecting with the MONTANA, Capt. WEST.

Steamer leaving Dec. 9 connects closely with steamer GREAT REPUBLIC, leaving San Francisco Jan. 4, 1869, for China and Japan.

For passage tickets and all further information apply at the Company's ticket office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st.

F. B. BABY, Agent.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.
UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month:
MISSISSIPPI, Capt. GEO. B. SLOCUM, Dec. 23.
MERRIMACK, Capt. L. F. TIMMERMAN, Jan. 23.
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. TINKLEPAUGH, Feb. 23.
These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

HAVANA, SISAL AND VERA CRUZ.—New-York and Mexican Mail Steamship Line, sailing every twenty days. The steamship GRANADA, Capt. F. M. HARRIS, will leave Pier No. 17 East River, on SATURDAY, Dec. 19, at 10 A. M. Passage to Havana, $65 currency. For freight or passage apply to
F. ALEXANDRE & SONS, No. 44 Beaver-st.

FOR SAVANNAH, SEMI-WEEKLY.
BLACK STAR INDEPENDENT LINE.
OPPOSITION TO MONOPOLY.
The first-class steamship HUNTSVILLE will leave Pier No. 13 North River, on SATURDAY, Dec. 12, and THAMES on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 16, at 3 P. M.
For freight or passage apply to
R. LOWDEN, Agent, No. 99 West-st.
Cabin passage $25.

FOR NASSAU, N. P.
UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE BAHAMA GOVERNMENT FOR CARRYING THE ROYAL MAILS.
THE ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY will dispatch the splendid side-wheel steamer
COLUMBIA, Capt. E. VAN SICE, Dec. 31,
at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River. For engagements of freight or passage apply to
GEO. B. HARTSON, President, No. 5 Bowling-green.

UNITED STATES MAIL TO HAVANA.
ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
SAILING REGULARLY EVERY THURSDAY, AT 3 o'clock P. M. precisely from Pier No. 4 North River.
EAGLE, Capt. M. R. GREENE, Dec. 17.
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. C. ADAMS, via Nassau, Dec. 24.
COLUMBIA, Capt. E. VAN SICE, via Nassau, Dec. 31.
For freight or passage apply to
GEO. B. HARTSON, President,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

FOR MOBILE,
VIA FERNANDINA ROUTE.
The Florida Railroad Company will dispatch the first-class sidewheel steamer
ALABAMA, Capt. LIMBURNER,
on SATURDAY, Dec. 12, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 29 North River, foot of Warren-st. Cargo delivered without lighterage at Mobile. Is now receiving. Insurance guaranteed at 3 cents and a half per cent. Through rates and bills of lading given to Selma, Montgomery, and all points in the interior at lower rates than any other line.
Has splendid cabin accommodations for passengers going to Florida or the Gulf Ports.
For freight or passage apply to
I. K. ROBERTS, Agent, No. 174 Chambers-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS,
CALLING AT HAVANA.
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAIL.
The well known side-wheel steamship
BIENVILLE, J. S. BAKER, Commander,
will leave Pier No. 29 North River, on
SATURDAY, Dec. 12, at 3 o'clock P. M.
DE SOTO follows.....Dec. 19
Through rates and through bills of lading given to Galveston, Indianola, Lavaca, Rock Port, Texas; Mobile, Ala., and to all points on the Mississippi River.
No Havana freight received on day of sailing.
For freight or passage apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., No. 88 Liberty-st.

SHIPPING.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
THE CROMWELL LINE.
Steamships of this Line will leave Pier No. 9 North River, at 10 o'clock P. M., as follows:
CORTEZ.....KELLEY.....SATURDAY, Dec. 12
MARIPOSA.....KEMBLE.....SATURDAY, Dec. 19
Freight taken for St. Louis, Mobile and Galveston at through rates.
For freight or passage apply to the agents,
H. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 39 West-st.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.—THE FLORIDA PORTS AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.—REGULAR LINE.—The A1 fast and reliable steamship SARAGOSSA, A. G. CROWELL, Commander, will sail on THURSDAY, Dec. 17, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 9 North River. Cabin passage reduced to $15. Through bills of lading to all points South and Southwest. Agents in Charleston (HAVENEL & CO.) forward all goods free of commission.
For freight apply to ARTHUR LEARY, No. 72 William-st.
The steamship VIRGO will sail on the following THURSDAY.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS BY PACIFIC MAIL Steamship Company's steamer RISING STAR sails on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 16, at 12 M., from Pier No. 43 North River.
Freight received until TUESDAY, 4 P. M.
WELLS, FARGO & CO.,
Freight Agents.

STEAMBOATS.

BRISTOL LINE.
AT 4 P. M.
THE ONLY FIRST-CLASS LINE
TO
BOSTON, PROVIDENCE AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS.

The largest and fastest steamers in the world, having 800 state-rooms.

BRISTOL, Capt. BRAYTON, from Pier No. 40 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 4 o'clock P. M., MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS; PROVIDENCE, Capt. SIMMONS, at 4 P. M., TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS, connecting at Bristol with the Express train, at 4:30 A. M., arriving in Boston at 6 A. M., in time for all conveyance out of that city.

Freight as low as the lowest, and landed in Boston at 8:30 A. M.

M. E. SIMONS, Agent.
JAMES FISK, Jr., Managing Director.

STONINGTON LINE.
TO BOSTON AND PROVIDENCE.

Fare always as low as by any other line.
The new and elegant Side-wheel Steamers
STONINGTON and PLYMOUTH ROCK,
Capt. WM. M. JONES. Capt. GEO. B. HULL.
From Pier No. 34, foot of Jay-st., North River, at 4 P. M.,
Arriving ahead of all other lines.
Shortest and most direct and strictly first-class, notwithstanding the false advertisements of others.
Tickets sold and state-rooms secured at the principal hotels, at No. 1 Astor House, and at Dodd's Express office, No. 194 Broadway.
D. S. BABCOCK,
President Stonington Steamboat Company.

FOR BOSTON, VIA NEWPORT AND FALL RIVER,
BY THE OLD FALL RIVER LINE,
BETWEEN
NEW-YORK AND BOSTON, NEWPORT, FALL RIVER, TAUNTON NEW-BEDFORD and CAPE COD TOWNS AND NANTUCKET.

Rates of fare and freight always as low as by any other regular line.

One of the Magnificent Steamboats,
NEWPORT or OLD COLONY,
Leaves Pier No. 28 North River, foot of Murray-st., at 4 P. M. daily, Sundays excepted.

By this route passengers can take train from Newport at 4 A. M., and arrive in Boston at 8:10 A. M., in time to connect with all Northern and Eastern trains; or rest undisturbed in their state-rooms, and take 7:40 A. M. train, and arrive in Boston at early business hours.

E. LITTLEFIELD, Agent,
NEW-YORK, Aug. 19, 1868. No. 12 Broadway, N. Y.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.
Leave James-slip 8:30 A. M. Mail train for Greenport; 10 A. M., Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove; 2 P. M., Express, River Head; 4 P. M., Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove; 5:30 P. M., Farmingdale and way stations. All trains connect with branch to Hempstead. Leave Hunter's Point at 8 A. M. for Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove.

L. D. BARTON, Superintendent.

SHREWSBURY AND LONG BRANCH.—The SEA BIRD, Capt. H. B. PARKER, will leave pier foot of Chambers-st., North River, as follows:

Monday, 9 A. M.	Monday, 2 P. M.
Tuesday, 9 A. M.	Wednesday, 2 P. M.
Wednesday, 9 A. M.	Thursday, 2 P. M.
Friday, 9 A. M.	Monday, 2 P. M.
Monday, 9 A. M.	Tuesday, 2 P. M.
Tuesday, 9 A. M.	Wednesday, 2 P. M.
Thursday, 9 A. M.	Friday, 2 P. M.
Friday, 9 A. M.	Monday, 2 P. M.
Monday, 9 A. M.	Tuesday, 2 P. M.
Tuesday, 9 A. M.	Wednesday, 2 P. M.
Wednesday, 9 A. M.	Thursday, 2 P. M.
Thursday, 9 A. M.	Friday, 2 P. M.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, &c.—Pier 28 St. Nicholas leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 5:15 and 11 P. M., connecting with railroad.

RAILROADS.

TWELVE DAYS TO SAN FRANCISCO,
VIA UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD AND
WELLS, FARGO & CO.'S
FIRST-CLASS PASSENGER COACHES, BETWEEN the Railroad terminus.
Passengers and Express matter carried through on mail time.
For further information apply at the General Office of the Company,
No. 84 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK,
where through tickets can be purchased.
WELLS, FARGO & CO.

SOUTHSIDE RAILROAD OF L. I.
WINTER ARRANGEMENT.—On and after December 1, 1868, the trains will run as follows:
8:30 A. M. from Roosevelt-st. Ferry; Mail and Accommodation for Jamaica and Way Stations.
3:15 P. M., Express for Jamaica, Pearsall's Corners, Baldwinsville, Merrick, South Oyster Bay, and all stations east to Islip except Wellwood.
4:15 P. M., Mail and Accommodation to Islip and all stations.
5:30 P. M., Accommodation to Jamaica.
FREIGHT TRAINS FOR NEW-YORK
Leave Islip 6:30 A. M., Mail and Accommodation.
Leave Sayville 7:26 A. M., Express.
Leave Sayville 12:30 P. M., Mail and Accommodation.
TRAINS FROM JAMAICA—7:20, 8:35, 9:35 A. M. and 3:09 P. M. Passengers for Bay Port, Blue Point, Patchogue and Bellepoint will take 8:30 A. M. and 3:15 P. M.
ROBT. WHITE, Superintendent.

PEIPHER'S DAILY LINE OF TRANSPORTATION.
Peipher's Daily Line will receive and transport goods and merchandise to Harrisburg and stations beyond, from the depot of the Morris and Essex Railroad Company, Pier No. 26 North River. All goods received up to 4 o'clock P. M. will be forwarded the same day. Freight taken at lowest rates and forwarded with dispatch.
Mark goods "Via Peipher Daily Line to Harrisburg, Penn." J. B. MONTGOMERY,
Proprietor Peipher Line.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.—On and after MONDAY, Nov. 23, 1868, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:
2 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av., through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with trains for Portland and North. Drawing-room cars from New-York to Rochester, connecting in the same sleeping-cars for the West, via either North or south Shore Line.
10 A. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c., at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.
11:30 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with trains for the West. Drawing-room car attached to this train through to Troy.
3:30 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with drawing-room car attached, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, with sleeping-car attached.
4:35 P. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c.; and at Albany with Western trains. Sleeping-cars attached at Albany.
6:00 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, and through to Buffalo and suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping-cars every day, except Saturdays, attached from New-York, through to Ogdensburg, without change, via Rome, Watertown and O. Railroad. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany. This train will run on Sundays.
11 P. M. train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, connecting at Albany with early trains for Buffalo and Suspension Bridge, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga and points North.
A Sunday train will be run via Hudson River Railroad from New-York to Poughkeepsie and intermediate stations, leaving New-York at 9 A. M. Returning leave Poughkeepsie at 3 P. M., arriving in New-York at 6:20.
Also, a Sunday train via Harlem Railroad, leaving 42d-st. at 9 A. M., and arriving at Millerton at 3:40 P. M. Returning, leaves Millerton at 4:30 P. M., arriving at New-York at 12 M.
WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT (foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry):
8 A. M.—Day Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and all points West and South.
8:30 A. M.—Way Train daily for Otisville and intermediate stations.
10 A. M.—Express Mail, for Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and all points West and South.
3:15 P. M.—Way Train for Middletown and intermediate stations.
4 P. M.—Way Express, stopping only at Sterling Junction, Turner's, and stations west of Turner's, (except Orford,) to Newburg, Warwick, Montgomery, Unionville and Port Jervis.
4 P. M.—Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.
5:30 P. M.—Night Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and all points South and West.
6 P. M.—Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.
6:30 P. M.—Night Express, daily, for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk, and all points West and South. No way trains sleeping coaches will run through to Cincinnati without change.
8 P. M.—Emigrant Train, daily, for the West.
Also, Way Trains for Ridgewood Park, Passaic and Paterson at 6:45 and 9:15 A. M., 12 M. and 1:45, 4:15, 6:45 and 11 P. M. On Wednesday nights a Theatre Train at 12 o'clock for Suffern and intermediate stations.

SUNDAY TRAINS.—8:30 A. M. Way Train for Otisville; 1:45 P. M. for Paterson; 6:30 P. M. Night Express for Dunkirk, Buffalo, Rochester, Salamanca and all points West and South; 8 P. M. Emigrant and Way Train; 11 P. M. for Paterson and Port Jervis.
Express trains run through to Salamanca, Dunkirk and Buffalo without change of coaches, and in direct connection with all Southern and Western lines.
Perfectly ventilated and luxurious sleeping coaches accompany all Night Trains.
Tickets can be obtained at the Company's offices, No. 241 Broadway, and depot, foot of Chambers-st., New-York; also, at Long Dock Depot, Jersey City.
WM. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass. Agent. H. RIDDLE, Gen'l Sup't.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains will leave New-York by the Pavonia Ferry, foot of Chambers-st., as follows: 8:15 A. M., 1:45, 4:15, 5:15 and 6:30 P. M. And Saturdays only 12, midnight. The 1 and 4:15 P. M. run through to Monsey.
Nov. 2, 1868. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Supt.

HOLIDAY GOODS.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS TO MILLIONS.
KIMMEL & FORSTER'S,
Nos. 254 and 256 Canal-st., New-York.
Complete paper dolls, called "The American Lady and Her Children," with various styles of fashionable costumes, consists of lady, girl, boy and baby, containing 25 engravings in a beautiful illustrated box. Sent to any part of the United States and Canada free for $1.
THE FLAGS OF ALL NATIONS—Carried by Soldiers in their National Uniforms. An instructive book for young and old, quarto size, forming a panorama 75 cents; sent as above. For sale also to be had at all stationers, toy stores and booksellers.
Dealers supplied by the American News Company, Nos. 119 and 121 Nassau-st., and New-York News Company, No. 9 Spruce-st.

BOARDING AND LODGING.

HEALTHFUL BOARD.—A PLEASANT home and a good table; food cooked so as to be at once delicious and digestible, under the superintendence of Miss JULIA COLEMAN, Professor of the Philosophy of Food and the Dietan Institute, corner of 8th-av. and Asylum-st., Brooklyn, whom please address or call upon for the prospectus of the literary and the academical especially invited.

BOARD WANTED—FOR GENTLEMAN, WIFE, two children, (aged 4 and 2 years respectively,) and nurse, where there are few or no other boarders; location below 32d-st.; apartments on second floor required. Address, with particulars, J. M. T., Box No. 151 *Times* Office.

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS.—A FURNISHED large front room on second floor, pleasantly located, within five minutes' walk of Fulton or Wall-st. ferries, with first-class board for two gentlemen or gentleman and wife. Apply at No. 23 Cranberry-st., near Columbia.

TO LET—WITH BOARD IN A PRIVATE FAMily, pleasant rooms, with privilege of parlors and superior table. House modern. A few doors from Coleman House. Unquestionable references required. No. 33 West 27th-st.

AT DEPAU-PLACE—WITH A FRENCH family, neatly furnished rooms for single gentlemen or small families; accommodations for housekeeping, or partial board, if required.

J. J. SURNIER, Agent, No. 179 Thompson-st.

MOST DESIRABLE AND PLEASANT rooms with board, in the first-class and newly-furnished house No. 117 East 28th-st.; fine rooms for a family on second floor; also one front hall room, third floor; house and table first-class.

BOARD WANTED BY A YOUNG ENGlish lady in a quiet Christian family, with a room suitable for a piano; home comforts only required; terms must be moderate; reference given. Direct Miss A. G., Box No. 109 *Times* Office.

FIFTH-AV., OPPOSITE THE BREVOORT House; superior suites of rooms, with private table if desired; also, single rooms with board in the first-class house No. 15 5th-av.

BOARDING.—A HANDSOMELY FURNISHED room, second floor, with fire, gas, board for two, (no children,) at $18 a week, in the first-class house No. 140 East 31st-st., between Lexington and 3d avs.

ONE OR TWO GENTLEMEN CAN FIND a comfortable home with a private family living in their own house, No. 132 East 30th-st. Sabbath-respecting parties preferred.

NO. 245 WEST 13TH-ST.—TWO GENTLEmen and their wives, or four single gentlemen, can find a comfortable home, with good service of parlors and good table, where there are but few boarders.

THIRTY-SECOND-ST., NEAR 5TH-AV.—Nicely furnished rooms, with board. Parties desiring a pleasant home for the Winter apply at Everett Library, No. 73 West 34th-st.

A THIRD-STORY ROOM TO LET TO A gentleman and wife, with board; only a few boarders taken; furnished or unfurnished. No. 61 st. Mark's-place, 8th-st.; reference exchanged.

FIFTH-AV.—NO. 125—MRS. AUSTIN OFFERS commodious floors for four or six persons, with private table; bath-room on each floor; also rooms for gentlemen, with board.

NO. 72 WEST 35TH ST., BETWEEN 5TH and 6th avs.—To let, with board, a third story front room; also a back parlor. Terms moderate. References exchanged.

GUARDIANS OR PARENTS WISHING to travel can find at Morrisown, N. J., a good home for three or four children under eight years of age. Apply at 24 East 20th-st. Library, No. 17.

PLEASANT AND NEWLY-FURNISHED rooms, suitable for two families, with board, in the first-class house No. 117 East 28th-st., between 4th and Lexington avs. Also, a desirable front hall room.

FRONT ROOM ON SECOND FLOOR, with first-class board, on Madison-square. Address E. L., Box No. 76 Post Office.

TO LET—NO. 72 8TH-AV., TWO ELEGANT suites of rooms, consisting of parlor and two bedrooms, each with restaurant or private table.

NO. 1,108 BROADWAY, BELOW 26TH-ST.—Four large furnished rooms, with ample closets, to let, without board; house has all modern improvements.

A HANDSOME FRONT ROOM WITH first-class board, in a private family; all conveniences; terms moderate. 56 West 21st-st.

NO. 225 EAST 10TH-ST.—A FEW SINGLE gentlemen can be accommodated with board and pleasant rooms and home comforts. Terms moderate.

NO. 1 DUPAW-ROW, BLEECKER-ST. A gentleman and wife, or single gentlemen, will find nice rooms with good board.

NO. 18 WEST 35TH-ST.—ONE SUITE OF rooms on parlor floor; also one elegant room with alcove on second floor, to let.

TO LET—WITH BOARD, A ROOM TO SUIT one gentleman. Apply at No. 128 31st-st., between 5th and 6th avs.

ROOMS, EN SUITE OR SINGLY, WITH first-class board; unexceptionable references given and required. Address R, Everett Library, 9th-st.

NO. 18 WASHINGTON-PLACE.—FIVE doors from New-York Hotel. Large front room and hall room, communicating, to let with board.

NO. 4 EAST 30TH-ST., ONE DOOR from 5th-av.—Parlor floor, front rooms en suite, complete, to let, with private table only.

A CHRISTIAN BOARDING-HOUSE.—Rooms neatly furnished for gentlemen and ladies. No. 32 West 20th-st., New-York.

THIRTY-FIFTH-ST.—THREE PLEASANT rooms to let, with board. Address W. S. F., No. 20 Unit-st.

NO. 26 EAST 30TH-ST.—TO LET, TO ONE or two single gentlemen, a large nicely furnished front room, with bedroom adjoining, if desired.

NO. 1,214 BROADWAY, NEXT DOOR below 28th-st.—A large and elegantly furnished front room to let; it will accommodate two gentlemen.

NO. 13 WASHINGTON-PLACE, FIVE doors from New-York Hotel—Large front room and hall room communicating, to let with board.

BOARD—IN A SMALL PRIVATE FAMILY OF adults; house, furniture and neighborhood first-class. No. 112 East 17th-st., near Union-square.

AT NO. 7 WEST 25TH-ST., TWO DESIRAble rooms to let, furnished, without board.

NO. 61 MADISON-AV.—ROOMS IN SUITES on second and third floors; also, single, with board.

TO LET—TWO FLOORS, NO. 230 39TH-ST., fronting Central Park; four rooms each.

NO. 103 EAST 35TH-ST.—PARLOR AND bedroom and two front rooms to let, with board.

NO. 302 WEST 34TH-ST.—BASEMENT suitable for physician's office and other rooms to let.

NO. 58 WEST 23D-ST., FURNISHED rooms with board. References exchanged.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—PUBLIC NOtice is hereby given to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands, affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office or the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:

1st. For laying crosswalks across James-street from number sixty-one to sixty-two.

2d. For laying sewer from the southeast to the northeast corner of Fifth-street and First-avenue.

3d. For paving with trap-blocks the carriage-way of Fifty-seventh-street, from First-avenue to Avenue A.

4th. For flagging sidewalks of Sixth-avenue, west side, from Forty-sixth to Fifty-ninth-street.

The limits embraced by such assessment include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on

1st. Both sides of James-street, from Madison to Oak-street.

2d. Both sides of Fifth-street, from First-avenue to a point half way to Avenue A; also, the east side of First-avenue, from Fifth-street to a point distant half the block, parallel with Sixth-street.

3d. Both sides of Fifty-seventh-street, from First-avenue to Avenue A, to the extent of half the block either way on said avenues.

4th. West side of Sixth-avenue, from Forty-Eighth-street to Fifty ninth-street.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to Isaac O. Hunt, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 32 Chambers-street, basement New Court-house, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

ISAAC O. HUNT,
E. DARLINGTON REED,
GUERNSEY SACKETT,
Board of Assessors.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NEW COURT-HOUSE, Dec. 9, 1868.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF William D. Veeder, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against JOSEPH R. GOLDTHWAITE, late of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, the executors, at the office of Troy & Place, No. 375 Fulton-st., in the City of Brooklyn, on or before the 20th day of May next.—Dated Nov. 12, 1868.

JENNIE C. GOLDTWHAITE,
HENRY C. PLACE,
Executors.
n13-law6mF*

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES, COURT-HOUSE, PARK, NO. 32 CHAMBERS-ST., Dec. 4, 1868.

TO TAX-PAYERS.—NOTICE IS HEREBY given that an additional one per cent. will be added on the 15th inst. to all taxes unpaid on that day. On the 1st of January following interest at the rate of twelve per cent. will be added, to be calculated from the 7th day of October, 1868, to the date of payment.

BERNARD SMYTH, Receiver.

NOTICE.—ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS against the estate of the late Charles Bussell, must present the same with vouchers to the undersigned at No. 202 West Houston-st., within six months from date.

ALFRED BUSSELL,
SAML. D. BUSSELL,
Executors.
NEW-YORK, Sept. 17, 1868. sep18-law6mF

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

THE FIRM OF FALKE & GRAHAM IS this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business of late firm will be carried on by JOSEPH F. GRAHAM, No. 306 Grand-st.

GEORGE FALKE,
JOSEPH F. GRAHAM.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 3, 1868.

DENTISTRY.

COLTON DENTAL ASSOCIATION originated the anæsthetic use of nitrous oxide gas, administer it in the most approved manner, do nothing but extract teeth, and they certainly do that without pain, as 29,000 patients testify. See their signatures at the office, No. 19 Cooper Institute.

THE LARGEST, BEST AND CHEAPEST Dental Establishment in the City. Sets of teeth on fine gold, $40; plates, $30; corporation, $12 to $15. Gold-filling extraction under *Gas*. Dr. WAIT & SON, No. 117 23d-st., near 4th-av. Call and examine specimens.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

BUSINESS CHANCES—ENGINEERS OR Business men acquainted with steam machinery may learn how they can establish a lucrative business with a few hundred dollars in any city in the State by addressing W. S. H., Box 2,781 Post Office, New-York.

HOTELS.

AMERICAN HOTEL, BROADWAY AND 8th-st.; European plan. Rooms at moderate rates. Meals in restaurant to order, or by day, week or private table.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

VELOCIPEDES.
The Mixed pattern of Bicycle and Tricycle velocipedes—the best in use.
H. T. BROOKS & MONOD,
No. 8 William-st. New-York.

A CHANCE FOR CARMEN.—FIVE horses and three trucks for sale, with the permanent job of the omnibus establishment. Inquire of E. C. CHAPIN, No. 356 Fulton-st.

A BARGAIN.—MUST BE SOLD, HALF A dozen large draught horses, from $200 to $125 each; one very large, 17 hands, $125. No. 421 West 13th-st.

FOR SALE—A HANDSOME, STYLISH YOUNG mare. To be seen until sold at corner of Grahame-av. and Powers-st., Brooklyn, E. D.

FOR SALE—A HORSE AND WAGON, EVERything in good order. Call at once at No. 242 East 11th-st.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—AN ELEGANT COUNTRY SEAT in Pittsfield, Berkshire County, Mass. The estate comprises about 200 acres of land, of which about eighty acres are in wood, and the residue in pasture and tillage land. The farm is one of the best in Berkshire County, and is under high cultivation. The woodland is of great value. On the land is a spacious mansion-house, built by the proprietor for his family residence, and containing the modern conveniences, with stables, gardens, orcharda, grapery, &c., &c., suitable for a gentleman's country residence. Also, a farm-house and barns sufficient for the estate, and a gardener's cottage. The place is one of much natural beauty, and its situation, in reference to the town of Pittsfield, makes it sufficiently retired, while it is convenient of access. For terms and description apply to

HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st., New-York,
or to JOHN V. JEFFRIES, Jr., No. 17 City exchange, Devonshire-st., Boston, Mass.

OAKNOLL, N. J.—VILLAS, VILLA SIT

THE WHISKY TAX.

Regulations and Constructions of the Department.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

It is not frequently that fault can be found with those charged with the administration of the Revenue laws for over zeal in collecting all that the law requires, and still less frequently that they are known to overdo the thing in the collection of the whisky tax, but the following letter addressed to one of the Assessors of this City certainly requires more of the distiller than the law contemplates:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE INTERNAL REVENUE,
WASHINGTON, Nov. 24, 1868.

SIR: Yours of the 14th inst., wherein you present your views upon the question of assessing deficiencies in the reported production of distilled spirits as compared with the minimum of capacity, established by law, upon which assessments must be made, has been received.

In reply I have to say that you should *make no allowance for the twenty-four hours during the which the fermenting tubs are required to stand empty.*

The survey of distilleries in your district show for themselves, that more allowance has been made than should have been made in any claim for that time. They must be held to the capacities stated in the survey. Yours respectfully,

E. A. ROLLINS, Commissioner.

The act of July 20, 1868, imposing taxes on distilled spirits and tobacco, provides, under section 10, that a survey shall be made of every distillery to estimate and determine its true producing capacity, and section 9 sets forth what data shall be given upon which to make such estimate, and under these sections the Commissioner issued Regulations Series 7, No. 6, Aug. 3, 1868, as follows:

"The survey required by section 10 is to be made of every distillery registered, or intended to be registered, for the production of spirits, and of every still or distilling apparatus hereafter set up. The object is to determine the true producing capacity of each distillery, *i. e.*, the quantity of spirits which may be produced in such distillery in twenty-four hours. This will, of course, depend upon the power to be used, the capacity of the still or stills, the mashing and fermenting capacity, and the fermenting period. In addition to this, the report should state the aggregate mashing and fermenting capacity in bushels or gallons—*i. e.*, the number of bushels of grain or gallons of molasses which may be mashed and fermented in twenty-four hours. *At this is one of the tests by which the amount of tax due is to be determined, it should be carefully and correctly made.* The report should be immediately forwarded to the Commissioner, who, if he shall at any time be satisfied that it is incorrect or needs revision, may direct a new survey to be made."

It is well understood that a certain number of bushels of grain, under ordinary conditions, will produce nearly a like amount of spirits, the average being about three to three and a half gallons for every bushel of grain used; but the production of a distillery is limited, in a great measure, by the fermenting capacity, and unless it is equal to the capacity of the still, the latter must remain idle until the fermentation has reached the proper state, so that if a still can run through five thousand gallons per diem, if the fermenting capacity is but three thousand, only three thousand gallons can be made.

So well is the relation of the fermenting capacity to the production understood, that it was the basis upon which the capacity system was urged upon Congress as the best method for collecting the tax; and while it was not adopted for determining the tax, it was made a part of the machinery of the law for determining the correctness of the distillers' returns.

But another provision was made in section 19 of the law that "every fermenting tub shall be emptied at the end of the fermenting period, and shall remain empty for a period of twenty-four hours."

Having the capacity of tubs given, and the time necessary for fermentation, which is usually forty-eight hours, it is easy to calculate the product of the distillery, providing the still is capable of running off all that is fermented.

For example, a distillery has nine tubs, each capable of mashing one hundred bushels of grain, and running on a fermentation of forty-eight hours; if the tubs could be used daily, the result would be the product of 450 bushels of grain each day, or, at three gallons to the bushel, 1,350 gallons of spirits. But, if the tubs must remain empty one-third of the time, the production would be reduced in that ratio, and, instead of producing 1,350 gallons, only 900 gallons could be produced, the following being nearly the rule for estimating the capacity of a distillery under the letter of the law:

Divide the number of bushels which can be mashed in the tubs by the number of days it requires to ferment—plus one, and multiply by the number of gallons which can be produced from a bushel of grain; for instance:

Mashing capacity, 900 bushels; fermenting capacity two days—add one day—and divide by three, we have 300 bushels at three gallons for bushel, giving 900 gallons as the *true capacity* of the distillery.

But it appears from the foregoing letter of the Commissioner that he will not allow any deduction for the twenty-four hours when the tubs are empty, but the distiller must be assessed for all that he might make if he was allowed to use them all the time. Such a course is manifestly unjust, and contrary to law. Attorney-General EVARTS said in a recent opinion relative to the distillation of spirits, that it "was the intent of the law that the distiller should pay for exactly what he produced," nothing more, nor anything less, but the rulings of the officers at Washington are based upon no such idea of justness, and if carried out would ruin every man engaged in distilling in less than a month. It would make him pay thirty-three and one-third per cent. more than the law demands, making the tax about eighty-four cents per gallon, something which the law never contemplated, and which should not, and cannot, be enforced.

The law is complicated and burdensome enough without these blundering decisions appearing weekly from the Department, and it can hardly be possible that the Commissioner was aware of the importance and bearing of the above letter; it was probably placed before him by one of those, aptly described by Mr. JENCKES in his Civil Service bill: "As a general rule it may be stated that very few candidates for the public service have succeeded in other business."

We want better men to administer and expound our laws, and less $1,200 per annum opinions.

The survey and estimate of the true producing capacity of a distillery is not to be made from imagination or guesswork; the facts being given, the result is a mathematical one, and an error of fact or figure is always and everywhere susceptible of correction.

When such correct survey and estimate has been made the distiller is held to eighty per cent, of such producing capacity, and under section 20 the Assessor may assess him to that extent if his returns fall short, but not otherwise. L.

Meeting of Landowners of McKean, Elk and Cameron Counties—Prospective Cheap Coal.

An adjourned meeting of the landowners of McKean, Elk and Cameron Counties, Penn., interested in building a railroad to connect their estates with the cities of Buffalo, Rochester, &c., was held at noon yesterday, at No. 71 Broadway. There was a large attendance of gentlemen interested in the project present. The chair was occupied by Mr. EDWARD R. BIDDLE, who after reading the notice convening the meeting, called upon Mr. LIBBY, President of the Brooklyn Citizens' Gas Company, to address the meeting.

That gentleman stated that the coal taken from the Cameron, Elk and McKean Counties was excellent; that the gas extracted from it is good, and the coke unequalled. He had used this coal known as the "Cameron and Farmersdale," to the extent of several thousand tons. In the cities of New-York, Brooklyn and Williamsburg, over 300,000 tons of coal were used annually, and the completion of the proposed railroad would open out the coalfields of Elk, McKean and Cameron Counties of Pennsylvania to the New-York and Erie Railroad, and the Grand Trunk Canal of New-York *via* the Genessee Valley Canal, and so onward by the Grand Trunk Canal to the City of New-York.

The Chairman then submitted his report to the meeting. It set forth the importance of building the Northern Railroad and Navigation Company's road to unite the aforementioned counties by a direct line of about 100 miles to the cities of Buffalo and Dunkirk, as also the city of Rochester, at a distance of about 120 miles from the coal mines. After considerable discussion, a number of resolutions were adopted, first, that subscriptions to the stock of the proposed company be solicited; second, that the landowners of the counties alluded to interested in the road be requested to state on what terms they will sell or donate the portions of their lands required by the Company; third, that those who own land on the surveyed line of the proposed route be invited to donate the right of way, timber, stone, &c., for the construction of the line; fourth, that the various companies in the counties of McKean, Elk and Cameron be invited to subscribe to the stock; fifth, that those desirous of having depots, coal-landings, &c., on the line of said railroad be requested to communicate with the Chairman.

The meeting then adjourned, subject to the call of the Chairman.

FREE-TRADE LEAGUE.

The Religion of Free Trade—A Lecture by Henry Blanchard.

The usual monthly meeting of the Free-Trade League was held last evening at Dodworth's Studio Buildings, corner of Fifth-avenue and Twenty-sixth-street, for the dispatch of ordinary business, and to hear an address on Free Trade from Rev. HENRY BLANCHARD. The attendance of ladies and gentlemen was unusually large. DAVID DUDLEY FIELD, Vice-President, occupied the chair.

The Chairman, in introducing the reverend lecturer, said: The expense of living is so great, the prices of every material are so high, the burden of taxation is so heavy, there is so much discontent with these burdens, displayed in every part of the country, that the subject of taxation and the kindred subject of freedom in trade are becoming to be of the very first importance to every American. These meetings of ourselves are designed to call forth discussion, to suggest considerations which are desirable for the public to have before them, to provoke inquiry and to diffuse, if possible, the true principles of political economy among the people. We believe that these meetings have resulted, thus far, in good—not as proved by large assemblies, but in the gradual diffusion among a people of more correct views of finance, and increased attention among those upon whom the legislation of the country depends. We have had most interesting addresses on various occasions. We have to-night a promise of an address from a clergyman who is as distinguished for his knowledge of the subject which he will treat on as he is distinguished in his profession.

Rev. Mr. BLANCHARD then came forward, and was received with applause. After a few introductory remarks the reverend gentleman indicated his sympathy with the free-trade movement, and his appreciation of the earnestness of his coadjutors of the Executive Committee of the League. He was sure there were multitudes of men who detested the old policy of governmental interference with trade, but who were unwilling, because of the misconception of the phrase free trade, to call themselves free traders. It was his hope to show that religion demands the utmost freedom. According to WEBSTER, religion is the recognition of God as the Supreme Being, whom we are to worship, and love, and obey. Free trade, it could be proved, teaches men to recognize a Supreme Being. It is therefore religious. The speaker bore well on the sneers of those who do not comprehend how the question of freedom, applied to trade, can be one of philantropy, ridiculed the talk about "British gold," and referred to GERRIT SMITH, RALPH WALDO EMERSON, WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT, JOHN BRIGHT and JOHN STUART MILL, who advocate free trade as earnest humanitarians. He defined free trade to be that condition of affairs in which every human being may freely exchange his own services or commodities for the services or commodities of any other human being, in any part of the world. The beneficent effects resulting from perfect freedom of exchange shows us that there is a God of wisdom, whose ways are manifested as wise. The speaker drew a picture of a great city, its inhabitants sleeping while the marketmen and the railroadmen were bringing food. He compared the ease, surety and satisfaction of this work, all done because of God-given self-love, with the bungling feeding of an army by a Commissary. In conclusion, the speaker called for more study of this great theme of free trade. He would have men see that trade is religious, since it is part of the great economy of God. The office and the pulpit need not be far apart. He wanted men to see the terrible demoralization from the interferences of Government. Going beyond its legitimate functions, we see the corruption of Congress, of contractors, of officials. The wealth ill-gotten is producing ruinous effects. The whole tone of business life is undergoing change. To plunder the Government brings no blush. Young men are losing the examples of business pride, honor, integrity. A prophet needs to preach in Washington and Wall-street. Men should begin to arouse to a consciousness that all interference with free trade leads to ill-gotten wealth, and so to shoddyism and vice. He would have his brother young men, especially, study this question of freedom of trade. Was it not possible for them to be enthusiastic? Did they know the result of the enthusiasm of BRIGHT and COBDEN? The country needs not doing out of charity, but righting of government. The watchword should be, "the least government the best. Free thought, free speech, free trade." [Applause.]

On motion of Mr. C. A. BRISTED, a cordial vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer for his very able and interesting exposition.

The Chairman said it was the practice at these monthly meetings to hear after a lecture any remarks from those in the auditory which might tend to advance the interests of the League; but, on motion of Mr. MINTURN, a vote was taken for an adjournment, which resulted in accordance with the views of the mover.

Sale of the Lafarge Property.

The block of marble-fronted buildings on Broadway, opposite Bond-street, belonging to the estate of the late JOHN LAFARGE, was sold yesterday at auction, by E. H. LUDLOW & Co. The initiatory building of the present block was a concert-room called Tripler Hall, built by two bold young speculators called TRIPLER. It was erected immediately before the arrival of JENNY LIND, with the idea that large sums could be realized by renting it for her concerts. It was used several times by her, and continued as a concert and lecture room until bought by WILLARD & ETTINGE, who transformed it into a theatre under the name of the Metropolitan. Their enterprise was unsuccessful, and it was subsequently leased by LAURA KEENE, and called Laura Keene's Varieties, then by WILLIAM E. BURTON, and called Burton's Theatre. Finally WILLIAM STUART controlled it as the Winter Garden, and associated EDWIN BOOTH with him in the management, until the interior was destroyed by fire. The hotel called the Lafarge House, and several stores which had been added to the theatre were more or less damaged. The hotel has since been refitted and continued as the Southern Hotel, but the theatre has not been reoccupied. The property consists of twelve lots, s.x being on Broadway and six on Mercer-street, and sold as follows:

Five-story marble building and lot, No. 667 Broadway, between Bleecker and Amity streets, running through to Mercer-street, lot 25x200. Purchased by CHAS. APPLEBY for $166 000.

Building and lot No. 669 Broadway, adjoining the above, lot 24.6x200. Purchased by E. S. HIGGINS for $141,000.

Building lot Nos. 671 and 673 Broadway, adjoining the above, lot 51x200. Purchased by A. G. THORPE, Jr., for $280,000.

Building and lot No. 675 Broadway, adjoining the above, lot 24.6x200. Purchased by F. H. COSSITT for $142,000.

Building and lot No. 671 Broadway, adjoining the above, lot 25x200. Purchased by F. H. COSSITT for $142,000.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

AMERICA AND THE AMERICANS.—Rev. H. M. GALLAHER gave the initial lecture of a series to be delivered under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association of the West Fifty-third-street Baptist Church, before an attentive audience, at Calvary Church in West Twenty-third-street, last evening. The second lecture will be given by Rev. J. HYATT SMITH, on Thursday evening, at the Eighth-avenue Baptist Church.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—At 7 o'clock last evening, CHARLES GARRISON, while crossing Fourth-avenue, near Thirty-first-street, was knocked down by an omnibus of the Fourth-avenue line. He fell across the track of the Harlem Railroad, on which a car, which had just been detached from the Williamsbridge train, was coming down. The car passed over the legs of GARRISON, completely severing them from the body, and instantly killing the man. The body was taken to the Morgue, where an inquest will be held to-day.

DESCENT BY THE POLICE.—Detectives QUINN and GLYNN, of the Eighth Ward, made a descent upon the premises No. 113 Greene-street, kept by ELLA DEMOREST, on a warrant granted by Judge DODGE, on the complaint of MARY ANN DUNN, a resident of Shelter Island, N. Y., who had found her absconding daughter domiciled therein. The Police arrested seven men and three women, beside the proprietress, and they were all locked up for examination.

FIRE IN HOWARD-STREET.—A fire occurred yesterday afternoon in the building No. 21 Howard-street, owned by the Devlin estate, and occupied by JOHN STADERMANN & Co., dealers in trimmings, whose stock was damaged to the extent of $3,000. Fully insured. The building was damaged about $50.

ANOTHER CLUBBING CASE.—Officer MUSGRAVE, of the Fourth Precinct, arrested RICHARD ALBERTS, this morning, for intoxication and disorderly conduct, when the latter turned upon the officer. The policeman drew his club and beat the unfortunate wretch over the head in a shameful manner, causing severe wounds.

THE BAROMETER.—Prof. GUYOT, of Princeton, will lecture this evening before the American Institute at Steinway Hall on the "Barometer" and its uses in meteorology, in storms on land and at sea, and for the measurement of the height of mountains.

"TRUE STATESMANSHIP."—This was the subject of a lecture delivered last evening, at Trenor's Lyric Hall, Sixth-avenue, near Forty-second-street, by Mr. THEODORE TILTON, before a large audience. The lecture was warmly applauded throughout.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN NEWARK.—Loss, $20,000.—At about 8 o'clock last evening a fire broke out in DAWSON'S leather manufactory, at the corner of Mallison and Ferry streets, Newark, which resulted in a loss of about $20,000, as near as can be estimated, upon the buildings and stock. The establishment of Messrs. DAWSON & Co., in which the fire occurred, is a very extensive one, covering nearly the entire block, a space of about 200 feet by 300. The drying-room was situated upon the west side of the structure and occupied a brick building about thirty by ninety feet, and two stories in height. In this building the fire broke out, and to this it was confined. The building was heated by steam, a furnace being situated in the northwest corner, from which it is supposed the fire was communicated. When the flames were first discovered by the watchman, the alarm was given, but before the fire department arrived the flames had made such progress that it was found to be impossible to save the building, and efforts were mainly directed toward preventing the further spread of the flames. The fire was finally suppressed within about two hours from the time of its commencement—not, however, until it had destroyed the greater portion of the building in which it originated, the walls of the structure alone remaining. The loss upon the building and the stock of leather is estimated at $20,000, upon which it is understood there was no insurance.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 10—11:20 A. M.
Consols opened at 93¾ for money and 93¾ for the account.
American Securities open quiet. United States Five-twenty Bonds, 74½; Illinois Central, 96¼; Erie Shares, 26¾.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, Dec. 10—11:20 A. M.
COTTON—The market opens firm, and the sales of the day, it is thought, will foot up 12,000 bales. The following are the opening prices:
Middling Uplands.....10¾d.
Middling Orleans.....11¾d.
The shipments of Cotton from Bombay up to the 4th inst., since the last report, have been 18,000 bales.
PRODUCE—Refined Petroleum buoyant at 1s. 6d. ₱ gallon.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 10.
Sugar dull both on the spot and to arrive; No. 12 Dutch Standard, on the spot, 36s. 3d. ₱ cwt.

HAVRE, Thursday, Dec. 10.
Cotton firmer; Low Middlings to arrive, 121f. ₱ cwt.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 10—1:20 P. M.
Railway Shares quiet. Erie, 26¼; Atlantic and Great Western active at 42¾.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, Dec. 10—1:20 P. M.
COTTON—The market is firm.
PROVISIONS—Bacon easier at 54s. ₱ cwt. for Cumberland Cuts.
PRODUCE—Fine Resin, 15s. ₱ cwt.; Turpentine, 27s. ₱ cwt.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 10.
Refined Petroleum, 1s. 6¾d. ₱ gallon. Calcutta Linseed, 57s. 6d.

HAVRE, Thursday, Dec. 10.
Cotton firm at 127¾f. ₱ cwt.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 10—5 P. M.
Consols closed at 93¾ for money and 93¾ for the account.
United States Bonds closed easier at 74¾.
Erie Railway Shares.....26
Illinois Central Railway Shares.....96¼
Atlantic and Great Western Consolidated Bonds.....41¾

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, Dec. 10—5 P. M.
COTTON—The market closed firm at the following quotations:
Middling Uplands, on spot.....10¾d.
Middling Uplands, to arrive.....10¾d.
Middling Orleans.....11¾d.
The sales of the day foot up 12,000 bales.
BREADSTUFFS—Flour closed firmer, and advanced 6d.; Western Canal, 26s. ₱ bbl. Peas have declined to 45s. 6d. ₱ cwt. Other articles in the Breadstuffs market unchanged.
PROVISIONS—The market is unchanged in tone and quotations.
PRODUCE—Petroleum closed firm at 6d. for Spirits and 1s. 6d. for Refined. Other articles unaltered.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 10—5 P. M.
Refined Petroleum is quoted at 1s. 7d. Linseed Oil, £27 5s. Tallow, 51s. Oils, Sugars and Linseed unchanged.

ANTWERP, Thursday, Dec. 10.
PETROLEUM—Standard White, 56f.; holders ask 60 centimes more.

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 10.
The official returns of the Bank of England, made public to-day, show that the amount of specie in vault has decreased £240,000 sterling.

HAVRE, Thursday, Dec. 10.
The Cotton market is firmer for on spot and to arrive: Tree Ordinaire, spot, 127¾f.; Low Middlings, to arrive, 122f.

FRANKFORT, Thursday, Dec. 10—Evening.
United States Bonds closed heavy at 78¾@79 for the issue of 1867.

PARIS, Thursday, Dec. 10.
Bourse dull; Rentes, 70f. 25c.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Thursday, Dec. 10.
Exchange on New-York firm at 1-10 ₱ cent. discount buying, and par selling. FLOUR quiet; Spring Extras, $3 75@$8 75. WHEAT firm at an advance of 2c.; sales of No. 1 at $1 25@$1 27; No. 2 at $1 17. CORN, 55c.@54c. for No. 2; Kiln-dried, 61c.@63c.; Rejected, 56c. OATS quiet at an advance of ½c.@¾c.; sales of No. 2 at 68¾c.@68½c. RYE dull at $1 15 for No. 1 and $1 14 for No. 2. BARLEY dull at $1 65 for No. 2. HIGHWINES more active at 93c.@94c. MESS PORK excited at $25@$25 50; sales of 6,000 bbls. at ——, for cash, and 1,000 bbls. at $23 75, seller February and March. RUMP PORK, $17 50. BULK MEATS firm, but quiet. LARD quiet at 15c. for prime steam rendered. DRESSED HOGS firm at an advance of 10c.; sales at $6@$6 40. CATTLE dull and almost nominal at $3 50@$4 40 for Common to Fair Cows, and $6 80@$7 75 for Good to Extra Prime Steers. LIVE HOGS active at $7 40@$7 85 for Common to Medium; $8@$8 85 for Good to Choice. RECEIPTS—9,000 bbls. Flour, 22,000 bushels Wheat, 25,000 bushels Corn, 12,000 bushels Oats, 3,500 bushels Rye, 1,400 bushels Barley, 25,000 Hogs. SHIPMENTS—9,000 bbls. Flour, 8,500 bushels Wheat, 50,000 bushels Corn, 1,500 bushels Oats, 3,500 bushels Rye, 3,000 bushels Barley, 3,200 Hogs.

CINCINNATI, Thursday, Dec. 10.
FLOUR dull; Family, $7 25@$7 75. WHEAT dull; No. 1 Red, $1 75; buyers offer less. CORN firm at 64c.@65c. for sax. OATS firm at 64c. for No. 1 and 58c. for No. 2. RYE advancing; sales at $1 32@$1 33 for No. 1. BARLEY dull and unchanged. COTTON firm at 23c.; the demand was light. Sales of WHISKY at 97c.; the demand was light. DRESSED HOGS active and firm at $9 50@$10; receipts, 11,000 head. Sales of MESS PORK at $24 50, on the spot, and $25 for January delivery. BULK MEATS, 9¾c.@11c. for shoulders, 12¾c.@13c. for Clear Rib Sides, 13¾c.@14c. for Clear Sides; the outside rate was for fully cured and includes packages. CLEAR BACON SIDES in good demand at 16c.@16¾c. Sugar Cured HAMS quiet at 17c.@17½c. LARD quiet. Prime Kettle, 13¼c.@13½c. GREEN MEATS easier; sales 16,000 pieces at 8c.@8¼c. for Shoulders; 11c.@11¼c. for Sides, and 12¾c.@13c. for Hams. Gold, 135¾.

NEW-ORLEANS, Thursday, Dec. 10.
COTTON ¼c. higher; Middlings, 23c.@23½c., closing buoyant; sales, 6,800 bales; receipts, 8,373 bales; exports, 1,590 bales. Gold, 35¼c. Sterling—Commercial, 165¾@167; Bank, 167¾; New-York Sight, ¼ ₱ cent. discount. FLOUR entirely unchanged. CORN—Supply light; sales at 77c.@78. OATS firm at 62c. BRAN unchanged. HAY—Choice firm at $26@$28. MESS PORK unchanged. Large sales sugar-cured HAMS at 18¾c., taken on speculation. LARD firm and unchanged. SUGAR firm; Common, 8¾c.@9¾c.; Prime, 12¼c.; Clarified, 12¾c.@13½c. MOLASSES active and buoyant; Prime, 56c.@60c.; Choice, 62c.@65c. WHISKY tending up; Western Rectified, $1 07½. COFFEE unchanged.

PHILADELPHIA, Thursday, Dec. 10.
COTTON better; Middling Uplands, 24¾c.; Middling Orleans, 25¼c. FLOUR quiet; Superfine, $5 75; Extra, $6@$6 75; Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota Extra Family, $7 50@$8 25; Pennsylvania and Ohio do., $9@$10 75. WHEAT dull; Good Red, $1 90@$2; White, $2 20@$2 45. RYE, $1 05. CORN in moderate demand for New; sales 4,000 bushels at 94c.@$1; Old nominal at $1 15@$1 17. OATS steady at 67c.@72c. for Western. PROVISIONS unchanged. COFFEE sells slowly at 19½c. @17¾c. for gold. SUGAR and MOLASSES unchanged. PROVISIONS firmer. MESS PORK, $26@$26 50. LARD, 1.½c. @16¼c. WHISKY, $1 03@$1 05.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Thursday, Dec. 10.
RECEIPTS—None. FLOUR in good inquiry; sales 500 bbls. City Ground Spring, $7@$7 50; Amber, $9@$9 50; White, $11@$11 50. WHEAT quiet; sales 15,000 bushels No. 2 Chicago at $1 45. CORN dull and unchanged. OATS inactive and nominally unchanged. RYE held at $1 45. BARLEY dull and nominal at $1 95@$2 05. PORK, LARD and HIGHWINES dull and unchanged. DRESSED HOGS firm at $10 50; buyers holding off for lower rates.

LOUISVILLE, Thursday, Dec. 10.
TOBACCO—Sales 60 hhds.; New Leaf, $5@$8; Old, $7@$9; Medium Leaf, $12 50. COTTON, 22c. HOGS, $7 75@$8 50, gross. MESS PORK, $24 75@$25. LARD, 15¼c.@15½c. BULK SHOULDERS, 9¼c.@9¾c. CLEAR RIB SIDES, 13c.@13¼c. CLEAR SIDES, 13¾c.@14c. BACON—Clear Rib Sides, 16½c.; Clear Sides, 16¾c. FLOUR—Superfine FLOUR, $5 50@$6. WHEAT, $1 80@$1 95. CORN, 60c.@63c. OATS, 56c.@57c. RYE, $1 53@$1 55. RAW WHISKY, free, 98c.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Thursday, Dec. 10.
FLOUR unchanged; sales 1,200 bbls. WHEAT in good demand; sales 16,000 bushels No. 1 Chicago Spring at $1 55, and 16,000 bushels No. 2 Chicago Spring at $1 45. CORN quiet at $1 14. Other Grains nominal. CORN MEAL, $2 30 ₱ cwt. MILLFEED steady; Shorts, $24; Shipstuffs, $18; Middlings, $17 ₱ ton. RAILROAD FREIGHTS—Flour to Boston, $1 05; to New-York, 95c.; to Albany, 67c.

MILWAUKEE, Thursday, Dec. 10.
FLOUR dull and unchanged. WHEAT quiet at $1 27½ for No. 1, and $1 17½ for No. 2. OATS firmer at 63½c.@64c. for No. 2. CORN steady at 66c.@65c. for new shelled. RYE firm at $1 10 for No. 1. BARLEY nominal. RECEIPTS—2,000 bbls. Flour, 35,00 bushels Wheat, 2,000 bushels Oats. SHIPMENTS—4,000 bbls. Flour, 1,000 bushels Wheat, 1,000 bushels Rye.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Thursday, Dec. 10.
COTTON firmer at 23¾c.; receipts, 1,414 bales; exports, 2,410 bales. FLOUR quiet; Superfine, $6. CORN, 70c.@75c. OATS, 62c. BACON quiet; Shoulders, 13¾c.; Clear Sides, 17½c.. BULK MEATS in demand; Shoulders, 10¾c.; sides, 14½c. PORK, $25. LARD, 15½c.@16½c.

TOLEDO, Thursday, Dec. 10.
FLOUR quiet. WHEAT advancing; sales of No. 1 at $1 30; Amber at $1 32@$1 37. CORN steady; Old and New advanced 3c.@4c.; sales of Old No. 1 at 86c.; New at 75c. OATS steady; No. 1 and Michigan, 60c. RYE firm. BARLEY quiet. DRESSED HOGS, $9 50@$10.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Thursday, Dec. 10.
SPIRITS TURPENTINE quiet at 41c.@41½c. RESIN dull at $3; Low Pale, $4. TURPENTINE, $1 90@$2 90. TAR unchanged. COTTON, 21¾c.@23c. for Mixed.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Thursday, Dec. 10.
COTTON firm; Middlings, 23¾c.; sales, 1,350 bales. Exports—To Liverpool, 4,006 bales; coastwise, 69 bales. Receipts, 2,721 bales.

SAN FRANCISCO, Thursday, Dec. 10.
FLOUR, $4 75@$5 75. WHEAT, in light demand at $1 75@$1 80. Legal-tenders, 73¾.

MOBILE, Thursday, Dec. 10.
COTTON firm; sales 1,000 bales Middlings at 23¼c.; receipts, 2,091 bales.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Thursday, Dec. 10.
COTTON opened firm and closed easy at 23c. for Middlings; sales 655 bales; receipts, 900 bales.

Philadelphia Stock Board.

PHILADELPHIA, Thursday, Dec. 10
Stocks steady. Pennsylvania State Fives, 101; Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, 25; Reading Railroad, 49; Pennsylvania Railroad, 54. Gold, 135¾.

[Advertisement.]

Ladies and gentlemen are daily taking a lively interest in the NOONDAY LECTURES over the Phrenological Rooms, No. 389 Broadway. Subject today: "National Heads and Characters." Doors open at 11½, commence at 12 precisely.

[Advertisement.]

Alaska is an acquisition which the ladies at least appreciate. Being a fur country rather adds to its value in the estimation of the fair. In consideration of this feeling, and in view of the coming holidays, KNOX, the Hatter, No. 212 Broadway, corner of Fulton-street, has supplied himself with the most splendid stock of Furs, &c., which Alaska or any other territory ever produced. KNOX's new Hats, Winter style, are elegant beyond precedent.

Movements of Ocean Steamers.

FROM EUROPE.

Cuba.....Nov. 30....Liverpool.....New-York

FOR EUROPE.

Colorado.....Dec. 9....New-York.....Liverpool.
Tripoli.....Dec. 10....New-York.....Liverpool.
Deutschland.....Dec. 10....New-York.....Bremen.
City of Antwerp.....Dec. 12....New-York.....Liverpool.
Caledonia.....Dec. 12....New-York.....Glasgow.
Atalanta.....Dec. 12....New-York.....London.
Saxon.....Dec. 12....New-York.....Hamburg.
Europa.....Dec. 12....New-York.....Liverpool.
Java.....Dec. 12....New-York.....Liverpool.
Manhattan.....Dec. 12....New-York.....Liverpool.
Ville de Paris.....Dec. 12....New-York.....Havre.

FOR HAVANA.

Columbia.....Dec. 11....New-York.....Havana.
Roanoke.....Dec. 11....New-York.....Havana.

Departure of Foreign Mails.

SATURDAY.

Mails for Hayti, by the *Port-au-Prince*, close at the General Post Office at 12 M.

Mails for Havana and West Indies, by the *Bienville*, close at 2 P. M.

Mails for France, *via* Havre and Brest, by the *Perire*, close at 12 M.

Mails for Europe, *via* Liverpool, by the *City of Antwerp*, close at 12 M. Supplementary mail for *paid* letters, on Pier No. 45 North River, to 1:30 P. M.

Closing of Domestic Mails.

North, Poughkeepsie Way.....5 A. M.; 4 P. M.
North, through *via* H. R. R. R. and New-York Central.....5 A. M.; 4, 9:15 P. M.
North Way, *via* Harlem R. R., Chatham Four Corners.....6 A. M.
East, *via* New-Haven.....5 A. M.; 1:30, 6 P. M.
East, *via* Newport.....4 P. M.
East, New-Haven Way.....5 A. M.; 2:20 P. M.
East, Fall River, rail.....5 P. M.
South, Through.....5 A. M.; 7:30 P. M.
Philadelphia Way.....5 A. M.; 4:30 P. M.
West Mail, through to Harrisburg, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, St. Louis Louisville, Indianapolis, Columbus, Chicago, St. Paul, St. Joseph, Salt Lake and Denver.....7 A. M.; 6:30 P. M.
West Mail, through to Cleveland, Toledo, and by A. & G. Western R. R. to Franklin and Meadville, Penn., &c.....5 A. M.; 4 P. M.

Passengers Arrived.

In steamship Eagle, from Havana—Mrs. J. Walby, M. Cavannagh, R. Mantle and wife, J. Thompson, L. Chipp, Manuel M. Arriga and 2 brothers, Victor Puig, E. Tasker, J. Darfel, J. Tabra, Loeut. Remak, Jose Morales, J. Ruis, E. Elliott, W. Wood, F. Stinson, E. Wressland, Dr. Philip, H. Giver, and 7 of the crew of the Star of the Union.

MINIATURE ALMANAC—THIS DAY.

Sun rises.....	7 15	Sun sets.....	4 32
Moon rises...	4 24		

HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.

Sandy Hook..	5 41	Gov. Island.	6 30
Hell Gate ..	7 82		

NEWS PACKAGES FOR THE PRESS.

Captains and pursers of vessels arriving at this port are requested to deliver packages addressed to the New-York Associated Press, only to parties exhibiting the written authority of J. W. Simonton, General Agent.

News packages for the *Journal of Commerce, Times, Tribune, World, Sun, Express, Evening Post, Commercial Advertiser, Staats Zeitung, New-Yorker Journal* and *New-Yorker Demokrat*, should also be delivered only to the same parties.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....THURSDAY, Dec. 10.

Cleared.

Steamships Tripoli, (Br.) Le Messurier, Liverpool, E. Cunard; Deutschland, (N. G.,) Wessels, Bremen, Oelrichs & Co.; Columbia, Van Slice, Havana, Atlantic Mail Steamship Co.; Fah Kee, Steele, Hamilton, Bermuda, J. N. Harvey; Gen. Meade, Sampson, New-Orleans, S. Stevens; Herman Livingston, Cheeseman, Savannah, Livingston, Fox & Co.; Albemarle, Couch, Norfolk, N. L. McCready & Co.; J. W. Garrett, McLoughlin, Baltimore: Virgo, Bulkley, Charleston, A. Leary.

Steamer Millville, Reneau, Philadelphia.

Ship John O'Gaunt, (Br.) Gould, Liverpool.

Barks John Mathews, (Br.) Sullivan, Los Palmos. Baxter & Merrill; John Edney, (Br.) Hunt, Barbadoes via Norfolk, Jones & Lough; Tejuca, Howell, New-Orleans, N. H. Brigham.

Schooners Village Belle, Rowe, Antigua and a market; W. F. Bird, Brinkerhoff, Darien, Ga. W. S. Brown & Co.; Right Bower, Rogers, Savannah, Bentley, Miller & Thomas; Gettysburg, Carson, Wilmington, N. C., N. L. McCready & Co.; H. H. Thompson, Carver, Newbern, J. L. Davis.

Sloop Horace L., Francis, New-Haven, G. K. Rackett & Co.

Arrived.

Steamship Yasco, Hodges, New-Orleans Dec. 2, with mdse. and passengers to Livingston, Fox & Co. Dec. 8, off Indian Key, Fla., passed steamship San Francisco, bound W. In lat. 26 40, lon. 74 30, was boarded by a boat from American bark Edwin, J. D. Garlen, master, of and for Boston, from Cadiz, 60 ds. out; had been short of provisions for several days; supplied him with enough to reach Hatteras Roads.

Steamship Charleston, Berry, Charleston Dec. 8, with mdse. and passengers to H. R. Morgan & Co. Dec. 9, 2:30 A. M., off Lookout, exchanged signals with steamship Flag, hence for Fernandina. Same day, 2:30 P. M., off Hatteras, exchanged signals with steamship Lodona, hence for New-Orleans.

Steamship Palestine, (Br.,) Kelty, Liverpool Nov. 24, Queenstown 25th, via Boston Dec. 8, with mdse. to E. Cunard.

Steamship Isaac Bell, Bourne, Richmond, City Point and Norfolk, with mdse. and passengers to Old Dominion Steamship Co.

Steamship Durigo, Johnson, Portland, with mdse. and passengers to J. F. Ames.

Steamship Alabama, Limeburner, Fernandina, Fla., Dec. 6, with mdse. and passengers to I. K. Roberts.

Steamship Metis, Davis, Providence, with mdse. and passengers to Isaac Odell.

Steamship Doris, Mott, Providence, with mdse. and passengers to Isaac Odell.

Steamer Albatross, Davis, Fall River.

Ship Henry, (of St. John, N. B.,) Spain, Liverpool 58 ds., with coal to Manhattan Gas Co. Has had heavy N. and N. W. gales the entire passage; lost and split sails.

Bark Josephine, (of St. John, N. B.,) Gunnan, Newport, Eng., 72 ds., with railroad iron to John S. Kennedy. Has had fine weather the first part of passage, and been 22 ds. from the Banks, with heavy N. and N. W. gales during which carried away topsail-yard, and lost and split sails.

Brig John Armstrong, Peterson, of and from St. Kitts 20 ds., with salt and passengers to Jones & Lough.

Schr. Wenonah, Gray, Corpus Christi, with cotton, &c., to McFarlane & Thorne. Has had heavy weather the entire passage; lost jibboom and sprung bowsprit. Was towed to the City by the steamer Rescue, leaking badly.

Schr. Cora Etta, (of Thomaston,) Sleeper, Guantanamo 23 ds., with sugar to Moses Taylor & Co. Was 9 ds. in sight of Cuba with strong head winds, and had several heavy gales from N. W. and S. E. during the passage.

Schr. Prairie Bird, (of Cornwallis, N. S.,) Cauldwell, Cow Bay 10 ds., with coal to Crandall, Umphray & Co.

Schr. Harriet Lewis, Sheldon, Elizabethport, for Providence.

Schr. Edward H. Furber, Cobb, Georgetown, D. C., 7 ds., with coal to Jersey City Gas Co